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Britain's Loss: Japan's Opportunity

BATTLESHIP WINS GRAND NATIONAL

"Royal Daneili" And "Workman" Secure Places

(Special Cable.)

LONDON, March 25.

The Grand National Steeplechase run at Liverpool over a distance of four miles, 856 yards resulted as follows:—

BATTLESHIP	 1
ROYAL DANEILI	 2
WORKMAN	 3

CLOSE WIN

Thirty-six ran. Won by head. Bad distance separated second and third. R. Hobbs trained Battleship. Starting prices were:

40/1 Battleship.
18/2 Royal Danieli.
28/1 Workman.

Archibald rode Kdh, Hyde rode Cabin Fire. Otherwise runners were identical with probables. Hopeful Hero carried 10/9, Drim 11/3, Lazyboots 10/4, Emancipator 10/3.

HOW HORSES FINISHED

Unplaced horses finished in the following order:—Cooleen, De La Chance, Red Knight, Blue Shirt, Hopeful Mero, Underbid, Batchelor Prince, Lough Cottage, Provocative and Rim. Thirteen finished. Time 9 minutes 29 4/5 seconds.

Rocklad fell seriously and was injured and destroyed.—

The winning jockey is only 17.

The American-bred "Battleship" will probably return to America and enter the stud.

ATTACK ON FEDERATION IN C. P. ASSEMBLY

NAGPUR: March 25.

In the C.P. Assembly to-day, a debate lasting nearly three hours, took place on the Premier's resolution relating to Federation. Thirteen members participated in the discussion which will be resumed to-morrow.

INCIDENT CLOSED.

Earlier the Premier referred to the incident relating to the Revd. Rodgers and explained that as there was some disturbance when he met the deputationists, he had to ask his orderly to keep the people moving. The Premier added he had not asked the police officials to use force in clearing the crowd from the corridor and had not issued any other order.

The Rev. Rodgers accepted the Premier's explanation and the insident was closed.—A.P.

(The text of the resolution moved by the Premier, Dr. N. B. Khare, appears on page 20).

JUTE MILL STRIKERS RESUME DUTY

CALCUTTA: March 25.

About 300 workers of the Mahadeo Jute Mills, who had gone on strike on Wednesday on the question of rate of wages, resumed work this morning.—A.P.

Jawahar's Tour Programme

ALLAHABAD, March 25.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru will leave Allahabad on the night of the 31st March, reaching Calcutta on the 1st April to attend the meeting of the Congress Working Committee.—United Press.

Rama Rau Flies To India

LONDON: March 25.

Mr. Rama Rau left for India by air, before taking up his new appointment in South Africa as India Government's Agent-General.—Reuter.

In Bombay Assembly

Jamnadas Mehta Completely Upset

"Novel And Surprising" Statements Provoke Laughter

DESAI EXPOSES SLOGAN OF "LAND FOR LANDLESS"

PRIVATE LANDLORDS SHOULD BE COERCED, IF NECESSARY, SO THAT THE CULTIVABLE LAND UNDER THEM WOULD NOT LIE WASTE, WAS THE SUGGESTION MADE IN THE BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ON FRIDAY, WHEN DISCUSSION ON CUT MOTIONS WAS RESUMED.

How To Coerce Landlords

Mr. Morarji Desai, Revenue Minister, was prepared to tackle this question, if there was a legal way of coercing the landlords in this respect.

THE REVENUE MINISTER EXPOSED THE HOLLOWNESS OF THE SLOGAN "LAND FOR THE LANDLESS." LARGE TRACTS OF LAND WERE LYING IDLE, FOR INSTANCE, IN THANA, RATNAGIRI, BIJAPUR AND OTHER DISTRICTS. BUT THESE TRACTS WERE SIMPLY WORTHLESS.

Excessive Fragmentation

The reason for wastage was, it was pointed out by another member, that there was excessive fragmentation with the result that the holders were unable to make tilling the soil an economic proposition. The Minister said, he would consider the matter.

The earlier proceedings were enlivened by a slight breeze between the Revenue Minister and Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta.

COOPER REGIME RECALLED.

The Minister brought down the ire of Mr. Jamnadas Mehta upon himself and Government Benches by very uncomfortable references to the Cooper regime, in which Mr. Mehta held the double portfolio of Finance and Revenue.

For once Mr. Jamnadas Mehta was easily put out, while the whole House laughed. The more he felt provoked, the louder the House and the Minister laughed. The Speaker had to intervene.

The incident was occasioned by his reference to reducing the interest on agricultural loans. In his regime of three months he had reduced the rate of interest from 9 per cent. to 6 per cent., and the present Government who had been in office for a longer period than three months, could not reduce it further than by a 1/2 per cent.

MEHTA'S LEGACY.

The House had good reason to laugh at this suggestion and when Mr. Jamnadas Mehta protested that he was in all seriousness about the misery of the peasants, the Minister gave him back that he had inherited the legacy from Mr. Jamnadas Mehta himself and his hands were practically tied.

Friday evening saw the guillotine in action and all the demands were granted by the House.

Proceedings In Detail

BOMBAY, Friday.

The demands for grants were further discussed when the Bombay Legislative Assembly met today in the Council Hall with Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, the Speaker in the Chair. Friday being the last day for discussion of the demands for grants, the House met at 12 noon as the guillotine is to be applied at 5 p.m.

The House had before it the cut motion moved by Mr. D. G. Jadhav to the demand of Rs. 22,56,000, for forests, to discuss the desirability of special grants of forest waste lands to the scheduled caste people for cultivation.

• • DEFORESTATION • •

The Revenue Minister referred to the evil effects of deforestation. Now it had become a problem in certain districts how to grow forests, as these districts were de-

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CANADA MAY NOT JOIN WAR

Defence Minister's Plea For Smaller Budget

OTTAWA, March 25.

Canada's defence estimates total 34 million dollars, compared with 36 million last year.

The Defence Minister, Mr. Mackenzie stated in the House of Commons that the reduction of estimates was due to fewer aeroplanes budgeted for. Last year there was difficulty in obtaining deliveries of the number proposed. In the next fiscal year, Canada would acquire 75 new aeroplanes and two new destroyers. A Fishermen Naval Reserve would be organised on the Pacific Coast.

He added the view of a very large group of Canadians was that Canada should refuse to accept in advance the view that when Britain was at war Canada was also at war.—Reuter.

WHERE CONGRESS CABINET MEETS

CALCUTTA: March 25.

The Congress Working Committee will meet here on April 1 at 2 p.m.

The venue of the meeting will be 1, Woodburn Park, the residence of Mr. Sarat Bose, where Mahatma Gandhi will stay.—United Press.

STOP PRESS

BIHAR LEGISLATURES

PATNA, March 25.

For the first time in the Budget session of the Bihar Assembly, a division was called on a cut motion which was, however, lost.

The rest of the supplementary demands numbering 20, under various heads, was passed after discussion.

The Bihar Council to-day took up general discussion of the budget, which was generally approved by all sections of the House.—A.P.

Fresh Fields In Mexico

OIL IMPORTERS' OFFER TO GOVT.

TOKIO: March 25.

The Japanese oil importers are formulating a plan to take advantage of the expropriation of American and British oil-fields in Mexico, according to rumours here.

It is stated that the Japanese are preparing to offer Mexico a contract under which she will purchase a large quantity of crude oil annually and give Mexico technical assistance in the construction of pipe-lines across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec and make improvements to the Mexican shipping ports on the Pacific Coast.—Reuter.

OIL FOUND IN EGYPT

CAIRO, March 25.

Oil is reported to have spurted from the sand near Mersahmatruh where workmen were digging for Roman wells. The military has cordoned off the area pending Government examination.—Reuter.

JAMNALAL BAJAJ SEES SUBHAS BOSE

CALCUTTA: March 25.

Seth Jamnalal Bajaj halted here for a few hours on his way to Delang.

He met Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose this afternoon and discussed the situation which confronts the C.P. Ministry in view of the action of the Minister for Justice there in releasing a prisoner convicted of offence involving serious moral turpitude before he had served out the full term of sentence.—United Press.

"C. R." RE-ELECTED LEADER

Madras Legislative Congress Party

MADRAS, March 25.

The Madras Legislative Congress Party met to-night when about a hundred and seventy members attended and re-elected the following office-bearers for the year 1938-39:—

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar, Premier (Leader);

Mr. T. Prakasam, Revenue Minister (Deputy Leader);

Messrs. S. Ramanathan, Minister for Public Information, and T. Subramaniam (Secretaries); and

Mr. V. Nadimuthu Pillai (Treasurer).

It is understood that the Party prevailed upon Mrs. Rukmini Lakshmipathi with success to withdraw her resignation of Deputy Speakership of the Assembly, which she had recently submitted.—United Press.

VATICAN'S SUBSIDY TO SCIENTIST'S FAMILY

LONDON: March 25.

The Pope has instructed Rev. Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster, to pay "a substantial subsidy" on his behalf to the widow and two daughters of Mr. Heinrich Hertz, the discoverer of Hertzian waves.

It had been reported to the Pope that the family, who are not Roman Catholics, were living in poverty in London.—Reuter.

Clouston For Cairo

BASRAH: March 25.

Clouston arrived here at 10-00 G.M.T. and proposes to leave for Cairo at 22-00 G.M.T.—Reuter.

A conference of Inami and Talukdari Bhil peasants was held last week at Limbdi under the presidentship of Durbar Gopaldas. Photo shows Mr. Lakshmidas Shrikant, M.L.A., addressing the Conference.

British Labour's Rally Against Chamberlain

NATION IN DANGER OF PERILOUS ISOLATION

Call For Immediate Meeting Of League Assembly

LONDON, March 25.

The National Council of Labour, representative of all labour organisations, has issued a sharply critical statement on Mr. Chamberlain's foreign policy declaration.

The statement calls for an immediate meeting of the League Assembly and special consideration by the European Members of the League, particularly France, Great Britain and Russia, of steps to bring an appeasement in Central Europe and Spain.

RALLY AGAINST AGGRESSION

The statement adds that it is the Labour policy to unite peace-loving countries in an effort to preserve peace by a common stand against aggression.

It repeats the demand that the arms embargo on the Spanish Government should be immediately raised. It declared that Mr. Chamberlain's policy may leave Britain in a position of perilous isolation.—Reuter.

GANDHI SEVA SANGH CONFERENCE OPENS

Kaka Kalelkar Speaks On Wardha Education Scheme

BERBOIS (Delang), March 25.

Asked about Gandhiji's health to-day, Mr. Mahadev Desai said that Mahatmaji felt exhausted after performing the opening of the Exhibition, owing to heavy crowd and dust. He would not attend the evening functions to-day.

The "Sutra Yajna" was held in the Conference pandal this afternoon, in which Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Babu Rajendra Prasad, Acharya Kirpalani and Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi participated.

At the commencement of the Open Session of the Conference, Kaka Kalelkar spoke on the Wardha Education Scheme and said that so long as national education aimed at imparting national spirit and turning out well-disciplined Sevakas (volunteers) of the country, but since the assumption of Ministry by the Congress, it was necessary to mould the whole educational system in such a manner as to make it nation-wide and with this end in view the Wardha Scheme of Education had been prepared.

It is impossible to achieve this end, added Kaka Kalelkar, unless education is imparted through the mother tongue. The Congress has approved of this Scheme and it is duty of this Conference to see how far this Scheme could be pushed through the present administration, which is run on English culture and language.—United Press.

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Mahatma's Advice To Gandhi Seva Sangh

BERBOIS, March 25.

"Let not non-violence be made a weapon by the weak to conceal their weakness. It would be better that we renounce that cult than do so", said Mahatma Gandhi addressing the preliminary meeting of the Gandhi Seva Sangh this afternoon.

He exhorted them to be brave soldiers of non-violence, because truth and non-violence were by their own strength patent weapons.

Earlier Mr. Gopabandhu Chowdhury welcomed the members and guests on behalf of the Reception Committee and gave a brief account of the activities of the Seva Sangh in Orissa.

Mr. R. S. Dhotre, Secretary of the Sangh submitted his report for the year 1937.

The Conference meets again at 8 p.m.—A. P.

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HUESCA RELIEVED

Franco's Advance Towards Catalan Frontier Continues

SARAGOSSA: March 25.

The city of Huesca, which was besieged since the beginning of the Civil War, has been completely relieved following Nationalist operations.

Gen. Franco's advance towards the Catalan frontier continues and large numbers of Republican troops are believed to have been trapped in Sierra and Alcubierre in the Pincer movement.—Reuter.

KING RECEIVES DOMINIONS' GIFT

LONDON: March 25.

The High Commissioners of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa were received by their Majesties the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace, where they formally handed over the painting of the Coronation ceremony which the Premiers of the four Dominions had presented.—Reuter.

AMERICANS DISAPPOINTED

WASHINGTON: March 25.

American comment is generally disappointed, though Senator Pitman thinks the speech will go a long way towards preservation of world peace.—Reuter.

Prague Gratified

PRAGUE: March 25.

Gratification is felt here that help to Czechoslovakia in case of need is not absolutely excluded.—Reuter.

Rome Press Pleased

ROME: March 25.

The Press is pleased by the speech, particularly the references to the progress of the Anglo-Italian talks.—Reuter.

Berlin View

BERLIN: March 25.

Newspapers take the view here that Mr. Chamberlain's speech contains nothing that will contribute to further complication of the situation in Europe. Official comment is withheld until the text is fully studied.—Reuter.

New Civil Airport Opened At Basra

BASRA: March 25.

A new civil airport capable of accommodating land and sea aircraft was officially opened by King Ghazi.—Reuter.

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Wanted a beautiful Khattri or Arora girl for a handsome educated Arora Youth of 25, Assistant Director in a Bombay Cinetone on Rs. 100 per month, owns property in U. P. Apply with photograph to P. N. Seth, 36 Canning Road, Allahabad. (8223)

Wanted for a 38 years old, Kaundinya Gotri, M. D., Gaud Saraswat Brahmin widower, a bride of the same caste, well educated and suitable to him in every respect. Please write C|o Dr. L. D. Dhavale, M.D., Parekh Street, Sandhurst Road, Girgaum, Bombay 4. (10019)

42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Smart Indian Sale Girl talking English, Gujrathi. Apply Hindustan Beauty Products No. 132 Azad Maidan Exhibition. (10013)

Wanted a stenographer for the Office of the Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay. Starting pay Rs. 30—(30—5|2—80) with local allowance at Bombay Government rates. Applications with testimonials should reach the Collector of Salt Revenue, Bombay on or before 28th March, 1938.

Required an accurate and a fast Graduate Stenographer. Either a Mahomedan or a Hindu, who is holding the Indian National views and understands the present politics preferred. Non-graduates are not wanted. Salary Rs. 80 per month. Apply with the copies of the testimonials stating age, nationality to Box No. 9997 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted graduates, with Honours in English to teach English in the Matriculation Classes at Vaso and Anand. Experienced ones will be preferred. Pay according to experience and qualifications. Apply sharp to the Secretary. Charotar Education Society, Anand. (8035)

Wanted Expert Gold and Silver Refiners and Assayers for the Bombay Bullion Exchange Refining and Assaying Company, Limited, Shroff Bazaar, Bombay, to start a new refinery Apply with full particulars to the Secretary. (8157)

Wanted—Clerks, Ticket Collector, Second Guards. apply with two annas stamps: F. C. Jantley, Bela Road, Delhi. (10006)

62. TO BE LET

To Let—Rebsch St. Jacob Circle near Telephone Building, Rutton House. Self contained Blocks. Rs. 47 to 52. (10016)

Available Matunga Khalsa College Road, New Building, Plot 516 A, 3 rooms, Kitchen, modern comforts, ground and first vacant Rent 42; 47: Apply on spot. (9994)

62. TO BE LET

To Let on Hughes Road Chaupatty, decent Blocks for Gentlemen of any community. Apply Mohammad Ibrahim, 176, Kambekar Street Post No. 3, Telephone No. 24970. (10012)

To Let—Single and double best ventilated airy rooms, with water cocks at 510, Arthur Road, Tardeo, Ganjawalla Bldg. Near Tram Bus and Ry. Station, apply on premises. (10024)

68. FLATS TO LET

Bastion Road, near Empire Cinema, westerly facing residential 3rd floor flat with all conveniences. Rent 110/-. Apply Cassinath's Office, 19, Bastion Road. 'Phone: 20357. (10017)

To Let—Spacious and most up-to-date flats for offices and residential purposes, as also Bachelors rooms and most up-to-date shops at Cambata Building, Back Bay Reclamation, Opp. Churchgate Station. Apply to the Manager on the premises. (9990)

72. TO LET IN SUBURBS

To let Matunga "Sukh Nivas" Bhandarkar Road, for Vegetarian Hindus only, 3 and 4 room Blocks. Big airy rooms, basins and shower baths. Station and tram nearby Rent cheap. (9993)

74. TO LET (UPCOUNTRY)

Mahableshwar—To Let Bungalows and Cottages. Furniture, Crockery etc on Hire. Apply H. O. Abdool Rahman, House Agents, Mahableshwar. (9935)

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Motor Driving taught perfectly within fifteen days by expert on our car, charges moderate. Apply Box 10011 "Bombay Chronicle."

141. EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Increase your salary. Hundreds of overseas students are earning good salaries through our postal tuition. We teach Book Keeping, Secretaryship, Journalism, etc., by post throughout the world. Reduced fees to overseas students. Diplomas and Badges awarded. Prospectus free. London School of Commerce, (Dept. B.C. 1), 116, High Holborn, London, W.C.-1.

154. TRAINING INSTITUTIONS

Wanted candidates to qualify Sub-Engineers, Overseers by Postal tuition. Apply British India Technical College, Sukkur, (Sind). (10021)

174. BOOKS

"Practical Race Calculator" only book, Reveals, unknown system to find winner, regain your losses, double your wealth. Rs. 5, King Coy., Booksellers, Hornby Road, Bombay. (10025)

Weak Nerves. An absorbingly interesting book describing a simple home remedy for Weak Nerves, Depression, Insomnia, Morbid Fears, Blushing and kindred nervous disorders sent free to sufferers.—Henry Rivers, (B.C. 1), 40, Lamb's Conduit St., London, W.C. 1.

191. MEDICAL ADLETS

Rejuvenation Confidential Treatment, safe, guaranteed, permanent cure, get young while there is still time. Plans free. Write Bose Homjee Hall, 88, Mazagaon Road, Bombay. (10023)

Advertiser wants manufactured pills in bulk from his formula. Pharmaceutical concerns. Communicate Box 10014, "Bombay Chronicle".

Prof. Dr. H. S. Gambers, Consulting Sexologist, Pfaff Building, Phirozshaw Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, Telephone: 30230, Specialist in Venereal Diseases and Disorders of the Sexual function in Men and Women. (9999)

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Wanted agents of both sexes to sell silk sarees etc. Pay Rs. 200 monthly. Particulars free. The National Trading Co. Ludhiana. (10003)

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Wanted a partner with a capital of Rs. 30 to 50 thousand for a running business of long standing. Good profit guaranteed. Apply Box 10018, "Bombay Chronicle."

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NOTICE.

BACK BAY RECLAMATION.

The Collector will put up for Public Auction leases of Plots 116 and 116A situated on Jamshedji Tata Road in Block II of the Back Bay Reclamation, measuring about 1,737 & 600 sq yds. respectively on 5th April, 1938, at 1 P.M., (S.T.) in his office at the Old Custom House, Fort.

2. Prospective lessees should apply to the Collector for particulars of user, deposit, &c.

3. The Collector is not bound to accept the highest or any bid and the acceptance of the bid is subject to the sanction of Government.

T. E. STREATFIELD.
Collector of Bombay.
Collector's Office, Bombay.
22nd March 1938. 8189.

NOTICE

THE BRITISH BURMAH PETROLEUM COMPANY, LTD.
(Incorporated in England).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. 87060 for 100 (one hundred) Shares bearing distinctive Nos. 366407—366506 standing in the name of Gordhan Lalji is reported LOST. All persons having any lien, claim or interest in the same are requested to inform the Company within fifteen days from date, after which the Company will issue duplicate Certificate for the said Shares.

LOCAL SECRETARY.
11, Bank Street, Fort,
Bombay, 26th March, 1938. 10022.

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. EBRAHIM HAJI ABBA has contracted to sell to our clients the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim or interest in or to the property or any portion thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, possession, trust, gift, inheritance, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Fort Chambers Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the publication hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Freehold land, containing by admeasurement 475 (Four hundred and seventy-five) square yards or thereabouts forming part of a bigger piece of land admeasuring 817 square yards and which bigger piece is registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old Nos. 406 and 442, New Nos. A/2290 and A/2319, Old Survey No. 58, New Survey No. 1/7066 and Cadastral Survey No. 22/644 of Malabar Hill Division, together with the messuage, tenement or buildings standing on the said plot and known as "Rock View" and assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under D Ward No. 3393 I.E., Street No. 7 all which premises are situate at Raghavji Road, outside the Fort of Bombay and in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay and bounded, on or towards the East by Raghavji Road aforesaid, on or towards the West by the property of Sir Dossabhoy Bhiwindiwalla, on or towards the North by a passage 2½ feet in width running along the Northern boundary and beyond that by the property of the Vendor and on or towards the South by the property of Gordhandas Mangumal and which premises are now in the occupation and possession of the Vendor and his tenants.

Dated this 25th day of March, 1938.

NANU HORMASJEE & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys. 8225.

Public Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that one Certificate for one Share No. 4901 of the Ahmedabad Electricity Co., Ltd., standing in the name of Shah Chhotalal Dosachand have been lost or mislaid.

The public are hereby warned against purchasing or dealing with the above Certificate in any way but are requested to give information about the same to the undersigned.

SHAH CHHOTALAL DOSACHAND,
Choksi Dhal, Unjha. 10020.

Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Mis. NO. 57 of 1931.

Suit No. 86 of 1921.

In the matter of the GUARDIANS AND WARDS ACT VIII of 1890.

-and-

In the matter of VALIMAHOMED ALIMAHOMED and another. ..... Minors.

NURMAHOMED ALIMAHOMED ..... Petitioner.

-and-

ISMAIL MAHOMED JACOB ..... Applicant.

WHEREAS in pursuance of a Warrant of sale of immovable property, dated 14th January, 1938, the Sheriff has been directed to sell by Public Auction at the instance of Applicant all the right, title and interest of Valimahomed Alimahomed and Hussonally Alimahomed in the property standing on quit and ground rent land, situate at Ali Umar Street, Bombay, admeasuring 188 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 3274 of Bhuleshwar Division and Municipal C Ward No. 6082 and Street Nos. 190 and 194.

Notice is hereby given to all persons having rights in or charges or claims on the abovenamed property (other than claims involving an objection to the attachment or seeking the removal of the same) that they should on or before the 19th day of April, 1938 lodge in my Office an affidavit verified by oath or solemn affirmation of such rights, claims or charges.

Dated this 17th day of March, 1938.

G. R. KHAIRAZ,
Commissioner. 8204.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FAREDOON SHEHRIAR IRANI and HOSHANG BOMAN IRANI have contracted to sell to our client the immoveable property described in the Schedule hereunder written.

All persons having any right, title, interest, claim or demand in or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of mortgage, gift, sale, use, trust, possession, inheritance, lien, maintenance, easement, encumbrances or otherwise, howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Wadia Building, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that leasehold piece or parcel of land belonging to the Municipal Corporation forming part of the Hornby Road to Ballard Pier Scheme being Plot No. 15 thereof together with the buildings thereon situate, lying and being on Homji Street and Sir Pherozsha Mehta Road in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 440 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Cadastral Survey No. 1852, Fort Division and assessed by the Municipality under A Ward No. 1564 and Street No. 42-44, Homji Street and Sir Pherozsha Mehta Road and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East by Homji Street, on or towards the West partly by Plot No. 14 and partly by Bengali School, on or towards the North by the said Pherozsha Mehta Road and on or towards the South by Plot No. 17 and which are now occupied by the Vendors tenants.

Dated this 24th day of March 1938.

BHIMJI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (3115)

Public Notices

BOMBAY, BARODA AND CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY COMPANY

NOTICE.

(1) Tenders are invited for the contract to sell tea, coffee, biscuits, light refreshments, ice and aerated waters at the Hindu Tea stalls on the Up and Down platforms at Bulsar station.

(2) The Tenderer should quote a rent for the year collectively for the two stalls which will include the rent, cess and water, payable quarterly in advance.

(3) The successful tenderer must be prepared to start work from the 1st of May 1938, and execute before that date an agreement, a form of which can be obtained on application to the General Traffic Manager, B. B. & C. I. Railway. He will be allowed not more than three vendors for the stall on the Down platform for whom he will pay a fee of Rs. 3 per mensem for each. He will be required to supply the necessary equipment for the running and upkeep of the stalls and to pay in addition, charges for electric light, if provided, and all taxes if any levied by the Municipality in respect of the said stalls and to also pay Rs. 5 on account of the preparation of the agreement and the actual cost of stamps to be affixed thereto.

(4) Tenders should be sealed, superscribed "Tender for the Tea Stalls at Bulsar" and addressed to the General Traffic Manager, B. B. & C. I. Railway, Churchgate Street, Bombay.

Tenders should reach him not later than 12 hours on 11|4|1938.

(5) The Administration does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

M. W. BRAYSHAY,
Agent,
B. B. & C. I. Railway.

Agent's Office
Churchgate Street,
Bombay, 23rd March, 1938. (8222)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MR. PESTONJI JAMSETJI HARDA of Bombay Parsi inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned Property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance easement, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 41, Hamam Street, within the Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the Sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the messuage tenement and dwelling house with outhouses and stables standing thereon situate, lying and being at Pali Road Bandra in the Taluka Salsette Bombay Suburban District, in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and Sub-Divided into two plots A and B Plot A containing by admeasurement 1089 square yards that is 9 Gunthas or thereabouts and bearing Survey No. 34 Pot. Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10 & 13 and bearing NA. No. 142 and Municipal Ward No. 1A, House No. 4 and bounded, on or towards the East by Plot B of the vendor, on or towards the West by Pali Road on or towards the North by part of the property of Leo Rodriques and on or towards the South by part of the property of S. Maheddin Haji Kaddarbaz and Plot No. B, containing by admeasurement 1331 square yards that is 11 Gunthas or thereabouts and bearing Survey No. 35C Pot Hissa No. 1 with the agricultural assessment of Rs. 3-5-0 and bounded, on or towards the East by vacant land on or towards the West by plot A of the Vendor, on or towards the North by part of the property of Leo Rodriques and on or towards the South by part of the property of S. S. Moheddin Haji Cadarbaz and which premises being Plot A and Plot B are now in the possession of the Vendor and his tenants. There is no Hissa Number.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1938.

R. E. PAPA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 3220.

Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

Suit No. 1338 of 1932.

PANDURANG SHRIDHAR SHETE and others. ... Plaintiffs.
V/S.
SHANKAR BALKRISHNA SHETE and others...Defendants.

PURSUANT TO CONSENT DECREE and DECRETAL ORDER of Reference dated 11th December, 1936 and Consent Judge's Order, dated 3rd September, 1937, the following immovable properties comprised in 21 Lots will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Hon'ble Court in the following manner:—

LOT NOS. 1 TO 6 on SUNDAY, 3rd April, 1938, at 2-30 P. M. (S.T.) one after the other on the premises at DeLisle Road.

LOT NOS. 7 AND 8 on SUNDAY, 10th April, 1938, at 3 P.M. and 4 P.M. (S.T.) respectively on the premises at Nardulla Tank 2nd Cross Road, (Parbhadevi) and at Nardula Tank 1st Cross Road (Parbhadevi).

PROPERTIES SITUATE AT DELISLE ROAD, BOMBAY.

LOT NO. I.

ALL THAT piece of land of redeemed Foras. Tenure together with the dwelling house standing thereon, admeasuring according to Cadastral Survey No. 1052 square yards or thereabouts and bearing New Survey No. 1/3442 and Cadastral Survey No. 2030 of Byculla Division and Municipal E Ward Nos. 7115-7116 and 7117 and Street Nos. 541-545, 543 and 543A.

LOT NO. II.

ALL THAT piece of leasehold, land with the dwelling houses standing thereon, admeasuring 316 1/3 square yards or thereabouts and bearing New Survey No. 1/3442 and Cadastral Survey No. 2031 in part of Byculla Division and Municipal E Ward Nos. 7118, 7119, 7120 Street Nos. 539-539A.

LOT NO. III.

ALL THAT piece of leasehold land, admeasuring 188 square yards or thereabouts and bearing New Survey Nos. 1/3442 and Cadastral Survey Nos. 2033 and 2034 of Byculla Division together with the premises standing thereon and bearing Municipal E Ward Nos. 7135 and 7132 and Street Nos. 535-537B.

LOT NO. IV.

ALL THAT piece of leasehold land together with the dwelling house standing thereon, admeasuring 79 square yards or thereabouts and bearing New Survey No. 1/3422 Cadastral Survey No. 2041 of Byculla Division and Municipal E Ward No. 7123 (1) and Street No. 537K.

LOT NO. V.

ALL THAT piece of leasehold land together with the dwelling house standing thereon, admeasuring 80 square yards or thereabouts and bearing New Survey No. 1/3442 Cadastral Survey No. 2042 of Byculla Division and Municipal E Ward No. 7124 and Street No. 537J.

LOT NO. VI.

ALL THAT piece of redeemed Foras New Salt Batty land, admeasuring 1254 square yards or thereabouts made up of a common passage with a Maruti Temple standing on a part thereof and five plots of land leased out for terms of ninety-nine years which passage bearing C. S. No. 2031 (part) and the Temple bearing C.S. No. 2039 and the five plots respectively bearing C. S. Nos. 2040, 2043, 2037, 2038 and 2032 of Byculla Division and which said plots bearing respectively E Ward No. 7131 and Street No. 537 C Ward Nos. 7122 and 7127, Street Nos. 537 E and 537L, Ward No. 7128 and Street No. 537 D; and Ward No. 7125 and Street No. 537 I, and the Maruti Temple bearing Street No. 537 M.

PROPERTY SITUATE AT NARDULLA TANK 2ND CROSS ROAD, BOMBAY.

LOT NO. VII.

ALL THAT piece of land of the redeemed Pension and Tax tenure known as Plot No. R 1., admeasuring 955 square yards or thereabouts together with the dwelling house or chawl standing thereon and bearing New Survey Nos 1/1814 and 1/1827 and Cadastral Survey No. 1155 Lower Parel Division.

PROPERTY SITUATE AT NARDULLA TANK 1ST CROSS ROAD, BOMBAY.

LOT NO. VIII.

A moiety in All That piece of redeemed Pension Tax tenure land together with the chawls standing thereon, admeasuring according to Cadastral City Survey 2621 square yards and bearing New Survey Nos. 1H/1827 and 1I/1827 and 1J/1827, Cadastral Survey No. 1151 of Lower Parel Division and Municipal G Ward Nos. 3409 (9), 3409 (11), 3409 (13) and Street Nos. 3, 5 and 7.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, application should be made at the office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. MEHTA LALJEE & CO., Attorneys for the Plaintiffs abovenamed at Nos. 2-4, Oak Lane, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 14th day of February, 1938.

G. R. KHAIRAZ,
Commissioner. 8197.

Legal Notices.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

George VI by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

PETITION FOR Probate of the last Will and Testament of RAGHUNATH JANARDAN PATANKAR also known as Raghunath Janardan Patankar, late of Bombay Hindoo Inhabitant, a Pensioner, residing at the time of his death at Angre Wadi Girgaon, outside the Fort of Bombay. ..... Deceased.

THE IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA, a Corporation constituted by the Imperial Bank of India Act 1920 (Act XLVII of the Indian Legislature) and having one of its local head offices at Apollo Street within the Fort of Bombay the sole Executor named in the Will of the said Deceased Petitioner.

ALL persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 22nd day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight and in the second year of our Reign

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) R. B. PATEL,
Prothonotary & Senior Master.

TAHIR ALI,
The 22nd day of March, 1938.
Messrs. JOSHI & CO.,
Petitioners' Attorneys. (8224)

Auction Sales

J. S. MODY & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY SITUATE AT CHIMNA BUTCHER STREET, WITHOUT THE FORT OF BOMBAY.

Under instructions from Messrs. Minocheher Manchershah Hiralal and Co., Attorneys for the Mortgagees and on account and at the risk of Ismail Dongre the Mortgagor, and in pursuance of the Power of Sale reserved to the Mortgagees under an Indenture of Mortgage dated 12th September, 1927, made between the said Mortgager of the one part and the Mortgagees of the other part, Messrs. J. S. MODY and CO., Auctioneers, will on Wednesday, the 30th day of March, 1938, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.), sell by public Auction on the premises, the undermentioned immovable property.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of Quit and Ground Rent land or ground together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing threon, situate lying and being on the East side of Chimna Butcher Street without the Fort of Bombay and in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay containing by admeasurement 130 square yards but in the New Cadastral Survey Sheet described as containing only 126 square yards.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to Messrs. Minocheher Manchershah Hiralal and Co., Attorneys for the Mortgagees, at their office in 1 Ash Lane (95 Esplanade Road), Fort or to the undersigned.

J. S. MODY & CO.

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AUCTION SALE TO-DAY (SUNDAY), at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.), at Chowpatty Sea Face, Near Italian Restaurant, of complete Household furniture, Drawing room cabinet, Safe, Steel Cabinet, H.M.V. Gramophone, Singer Machine, Remington Typewriter, Zunda Almyrah, Chesterfield sets, etc.

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Public Notices

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE

The following plots will be put to Public Auction in this Office at 3 P.M. (S.T.) on THURSDAY, the 7th April, 1938.

Scheme	Estate or locality.	Plot No.	Approximate area in sq. yds.	User.
EX TRUST PLOTS TO BE LEASED				
52	Worli	75A	2,222	Residences
5	Dadar Matunga	452-453	1,555	Residences

Copies of full particulars of auction and special conditions relating to each of the plots to be leased with a site plan will be supplied on application to the undersigned on payment of Annas Eight in each case. Conditions of the lease and other particulars can be inspected at the office of the undersigned during office hours on any working day except Saturday.

H. M. ABHYANKAR,
Estate Agent & Land Manager.

Bombay, 24th March, 1938.

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" "T" consists of Jubbulpore to Allahabad, Katni to Bina, Banda to Manikpur, Cawnpore to Banda.
" "U" consists of Bhusaval to Jubbulpore, Itarsi to Nagpur, Amla to Parasia.
" "W" consists of Amalner to Nagpur, Bhusaval to Khandwa, Jalamb to Khamgaon, Badnera to Amraoti, Wardha to Balharshah, Majri to Rajur, Tadali to Ghugus. Chalisgaon to Dhulia, Chalisgaon to Jalgaon.
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Third Prize Rs. 10 — JAMNADAS RANCHODDAS GHEEWALA, Mota Bazar, BULSAR
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TRANSMISSION I

A.M.
7-30 Recorded Programme.

TRANSMISSION II

A.M.
11-30 AIR Orchestra: Jaunpuri Bahar. 11-40 Rajkumari Benareswali.
P.M.
12-10 'Sinhagad'. Marathi musical play. By H. M. V. Artists. 12-30 Ebrahim. Film song on clarionet. 12-40 Abdul Rashid Khan of Indore. Khayal and Tarana. 1-0 Market Rates, Announcements. 1-5 History of Music. Talk by Feroza Narielwala. 1-30 Recorded Programme. 2-0 For Children.

TRANSMISSION III

P.M.
5-30 AIR Artist. 5-40 Sitar and Sarangi. Ballad song. 5-50 Abdul Rashid Khan. Khayal, Thumri and Bhajan. 6-30 To Bhumijan. 7-30 Current Conversations. Talk in Marathi by D. V. Amonkar. 7-45 By Amateurs only. 8-30 Commercial News. 8-45 Rajkumari Benareswali. 9-0 News (Hindustani). 9-15 Rajkumari Benareswali. 9-30 News. 9-45 As I Look Back. 10-0 Joan Monro. 10-10 Recorded Programme. 10-30 Boby Naugeubauer: Piano.

Delhi—I Programme

VUD 340 metres, 886 kc/s.

TRANSMISSION I

A.M.
8-0 Jamila of Cawnpore. 8-25 Nautch Gat on Sarinda. 8-30 Ramzan Khan. 8-55 Manohar Kapoor. Bhajan. News. 9-10 In English. 9-20 In Hindustani. 9-30 Akhtaribai Faizabadi. 10-0 Manohar Kapoor. 10-10 Bhairon Bahar. 10-20 Jamila.

TRANSMISSION II

P.M.
12-30 Recorded programme 1-30 By request from Lady Listener in Gonda.

TRANSMISSION III

P.M.
5-0 Ramzan Khan. 5-25 Akhtaribai Faizabadi. 5-50 AIR Orchestra: Multani. 6-0 Manohar Kapoor. 6-20 Jamila. 6-45 Afzal Husain. 7-0 For Villagers only. 8-0 The Hospitals. 8-15 Lighter Side. 9-15 News, Weather. 9-30 In English. 9-45 Ramzan Khan. 10-0 In defence of frivolity. Talk by Mrs. Braha Sundaram. 10-15 "Tabeeb" Play in Hindustani. By S. A. Nasri. 10-45 Afzal Hussain. 10-55 News.

Delhi II Programme

TRANSMISSION I & II
31.3 metres, 9,575 kc/s.
Programme as in Delhi I

TRANSMISSION III
60 metres, 4,905 kc/s.

P.M.
5-0 to 7-0 Programmes as in Delhi I. 7-0 Ramzan Khan. 7-20 Instrumental Duet. 7-30 Cocktail Time. 8-0 to 9-45 Programme as in Delhi I. 9-45 Songs. 10-0 to 10-15 Programmes as in Delhi I. 10-15 Clifford Huntsman 10-55 News.

Calcutta Programmes

VUC 370.4 m., 810 kc/s and 49.1 m., 6,109 kc/s. (Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time.)
P.M.
12-26 Grand Hotel Orchestra. Weather. 1-30 Variety Programme. 2-6 Choice of Ornaments. Talk in Bengali by Sreemati K. Mallik. 2-21 Musical Diversions. by D. N. Ghosh. 5-6 For Countryside. 5-36 Harendranath Nandi. 5-51 Sushila Sen Manipuri. 6-6 Bhabatosh Bhattacharya. 6-26 Ashalatas. 6-46 Kumar Sachin Dev Burman. 7-6 Alore Jagaran. 7-51 Across Arabian Deserts. Talk in Bengali by K. Banerjee. 8-6 News, Weather (Bengali). 8-21 Bobby Dantels. 8-41 Kamalabala. 9-1 News, Weather. 9-6 News. 9-21 Mixed Doubles. 9-36 Dance Music.

Peshawar Programme

VUP 200 metres, 1,500 kc/s.
A.M.
7-30 Naz Begam. 7-45 Khyber Orchestra. 7-55 Kishan Lal. 8-10 Zohra Jan of Ambala.
P.M.
5-30 Khabare Atare. 6-30 Khyber Orchestra. 6-35 Zohra Jan. 6-55 Kishan Lal. 7-15 Khyber Radio Orchestra. 7-25 Naz Begam. 7-45 Colour Photography. Talk in Hindustani by N. A. Khan. 8-0 Kishan Lal. 8-30 Zohra Jan. 8-45 Khyber Radio Orchestra. 8-55 Naz Begam. News, Weather. 9-15 In Hindustani. 9-30 In English. 9-45 Can war be totally abolished? Debate. J. B. Cartland: Yes. M. A. Latif: No. 10-0 Zohra Jan. 10-15 Mirza ji ka Radio..

Lahore Programme

VUL 270 metres, 1,086 kc/s
P.M.
6-0 Shamshad Begam. 6-10 Ijaz Ali. 6-30 Future of Punjab Peasant. Talk in Hindustani by S. H. Shah. 7-0 Anwarbai of Amritsar. 7-25 The Airvoice Trio. 7-35 Ijaz Ali. 7-50 Anwarbai. 8-15 Court Life under Sikhs. Talk in Hindustani by Hakim Ahmed Shujaa. 8-30 Shamshad Begam. 8-45 Ahmed Husain. A sarangi recital: Hem. 8-50 Ijaz Ali. 9-15 News. Weather. 9-15 In Hindustani. 9-30 In English. 9-45 Sport is not in Domain of Women. Debate. G. C. Chatterji: For Kalyani Gupta: Against. 10-0 Shamshad Begam. 10-10 Ijaz Ali. 10-30 Sardar Bahadur Singh. 10-35 Anwarbai.

B. B. C. Programme

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.). GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.). GSO (to 8-30 p.m.) 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.). GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.). GSD 11.75 Mc/s (25.53 m.).
P.M.
7-25 Opening. 7-30 Leslie Bridgewater Harp Quintet. 8-0 At Black Dog. by Mr. Wilkes. 8-30 Shanties. 9-0 Dance Music. 9-15 Association Football. Commentary. 10-15 News, Sport.

Auction Sales

VORA & CO.

AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), at 10-30 a.m. (S.T.), at Hughes Road, Opp. Messrs. Hyland Co., of complete Bungalow furniture, Godrej and other Safes, English Billiard table, Zunda Almyrah, H.M.V. Cabinet Gramophone, Singer Machine, Royal Underwood and Remington typewriters, Kelvinator, Chesterfield Sets, Corona Portable Typewriters, Wrist watches, Hand Harmonium, Dining table and chairs, Glassware etc.

AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY, Friday.

Three persons were arrested on a charge of committing theft of electricity, from the main cable of the B. E. S. T. Co. Ltd. The suspects, it appears, did not instal a meter at their tea shop at 98, Kambekar Street.

The accused are reported to have done the fitting and the joining of the cable to the main current.

Ibrahim Dallimahomed and the two others were placed before the Magistrate at Mazagaon Court, this morning, and were ordered to be released on bail till April 5

Shafi Mahomed Ali Razak, a motor-truck cleaner, was placed to-day before the Presidency Magistrate, Third Court, on a charge of rash and negligent driving.

The police stated that the accused drove a motor truck in the absence of the driver and knocked down a girl aged 7. The truck then dashed against a shop last evening at Trinity Street.

The Magistrate directed the accused to be released on a bail of Rs. 100.

Mr. K. Rajagopal, who was formerly an employee in the Nurses' Institute at Bombay, has been arrested at Mysore, at the Krishnarajendra Hospital, where he is an in-patient, by the Mysore city police under instruction from the Bombay police on a charge of alleged mis-appropriation of funds to the extent of Rs. 800.

An inquest was held over the dead body of Yellubai Govind (35), to-day at the Bombay Coroner's Court, and the Jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

A verdict of accidental death was passed by the Bombay Coroner's jury to-day, at the inquest on the body of a two-year-old child, named Maherookh Bomanji, who died of burns.

THREAT TO BOYCOTT CIVIL COURTS

DINAJPUR, March 24.

It is learnt that owing to the stay of rent suits and execution proceedings in the Civil Courts, here under the Bengal Agricultural Debtors Act, the leading landlords of this district have decided to file this year's 'tamadi' rent suits before the Debt Settlement Boards.

If this decision of the landlords is acted upon, it will have a serious repercussion on the business of the Civil Courts, inasmuch as they will have practically no work, rent suits easily forming the bulk of the Civil Courts have to deal with.—United Press.

NEW DELHI, March 24.—Sardar Mangal Singh, M.L.A., (Central), informs that his question in regard to giving annual presents to the Nepal Government, has not obtained the necessary consent of the Governor-General.—United Press.

"PERFECT HARMONY BETWEEN PROPRIETORS & WORKERS"

Bombay Union Dyeing Mills' Manager's Statement

The Manager of the Bombay Union Dyeing Mills, has issued the following:

The statement as given by the Bombay Girni Kamgar Union regarding our Factory is quite untrue and misleading. There is perfect harmony between the Proprietors and the workers. The statement that the question of increase of wages is out of the knowledge of the proprietors or that they do not intend to give any increase is quite false.

The fact is, the B.G.K. Union have admitted that the scale of wages in this factory is higher than in any other similar concern. However, it would be wrong to assume that the proprietors will not give any increment in the wages to their workers who have maintained perfect calm and discipline in spite of outside agitation to create ill feelings.

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3RD WEEK

Aga Khan Hockey

'Times Of India' And Telephones Draw

LYNN'S BEHAVIOUR DISPLEASES EVERYBODY

BOMBAY, Friday.

An incident, in Friday's match in the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament at the Association Ground, should be brought to the notice of the Bombay Presidency Hockey Association authorities and it is hoped that they would take some action in order to prevent such incidents in future.

During the match, which was played between the "Times of India" and the Telephones. Cohen, the Telephone's pivot, who is well-known for his clean play, in attempting to clear the ball unintentionally hit Lynn. The latter retaliated in a manner certanly not worthy of a captain of any side. The Umpires Messrs L. Hibbert and Baria were heard discussing this ugly incident after the game.

To lead by 2 goals for 40 minutes—by 3—2 in extra-time and then to remain content with a draw (3—3) was how "Times of India" fared against the Telephones.

The honours of the match go to Cohen, who was outstanding at the pivotal position for the Telephones and Woodcock, who worked very hard in the forward-line. These two never gave up hopes and ably assisted by their colleagues, they left the field with a a smile on their faces having shared 6 goals.

Dull and uninteresting hockey marked the opening phases of the game and for the first 10 minutes both attack-lines broke through in turn with no result.

Frank Pereira, the pressmen's inside-right, for the first time this season. scored a goal and gave his side the lead midway through the first half. This made the Telephones work hard for the equaliser but to no purpose.

On the other end the pressmen forged ahead when Petty, their left-wing, doubled the score.

At half-time the Telephones were in arrears of 2 goals.

On resumption the "Hullo-boys" opened with a right-wing move and time and again Woodcock attracted attention with his solo runs.

In the 16th minute Duarte, the Telephone's inside-right, succeeded in reducing the lead with a clever placing. Encouraged by this the Telephone boys made desperate efforts and a melee, in front of the Times' goal-mouth, put them on level terms when Woodcock made no mistake off a rebound.

Following this the rival defences held out till the end.

EXTRA-TIME

In the second period of the extra-time 2 goals were shared, the "Times" scoring first through Correa and Telephones levelling the scores for the third time through Cohen.

The Result:—

TELEPHONES 3 goals

"TIMES OF INDIA" 3 goals

The Teams were:—

TELEPHONES: Mendonca; McMorran and Butler; High, Cohen and R. Gibson; Woodcock, Duarte. D. Gibson, Simon and Weston.

"TIMES OF INDIA": Gibson; Thomas and Easdon; Tyrell, Morrison and Lynn; Mendis, Pereira, D'Souza, Correa and Petty.

UMPIRES: L. Hibbert and Baria.

LUSIS' EASY WIN

The Lusitanians "A" Bombay's new League Champions entered the second round of the Tournament proper at the cost of the Christ Church and Barnes Ex-Students whom they beat by five goals to nil. The Lusitanians had two new comers in the team. Extross of Delhi taking E. D'Souza's place as leader of attack and W. Fernandes coming in at outside-left.

The game started with the Lusitanians setting up a furious attack on the Old Boy's goal and it was only the soundness of Miskeith, the Old Boy's custodian that prevented the "Lusis." from scoring on numerous occasions. Extross was in the lime-light but on every occasion his attempts at scoring failed, either through one of the backs holding him or his over-running the ball. F. Fernandes at inside-right made some fine openings for the other forwards but none could use the chances offered, even R. Almeida, who has been the chief goal-getter of the side. On one occasion Almeida hit the ball wide from a good position.

Carvalho in the "Lusis" defence was far from impressive and W. Fernandes at outside-left showed that his absence from hockey for a couple of years has done him no good.

The interval, arrived, with the score board blank.

"LUSIS" SCORE

After the breather the 'Lusis' scored early through R. Almeida and then consolidated their position through F. Fernandes.

Thereafter, the Old Boys were seen to better advantage but the 'Lusis' intermediary line held on admirably.

3 GOALS IN 2 MINUTES

Just towards the close the "Lusis" scored three quick goals, these taking only two minutes. Extross just connected a pass from the outside-right and scored to be followed soon after by Almeida, who scored a fine goal. W. Fernandes, then banged in a stiff shot that had Miskeith beaten all ends up. Not disheartened in the least, the Old Boys tried hard and were unlucky not to score. A minute before the close, the Lusitanians had a few shots at goal but Miskeith saved splendidly.

The end came with the Champions comfortable winners.

The Result:—

LUSITANIANS "A" 5 goals

CH. CH. & BARNES EX-STUDENTS Nil.

The Teams:—

LUSITANIANS "A": Y. Pereira; D. Fernandes & P. Carvalho, N. Fernandes, N. Rodrigues & J. Pinto, M. Fernandes, F. Fernandes; Extross; R. Almeida & W. Fernandes.

CH. CH. & BARNES EX-STUDENTS: Miskeith; Barnett & D'Souza; Thomas, Harper and Abraham; Walsh, Peters, Lloyd, Coutts and Nuthall.

UMPIRES: McKenzie and Critchell.

TO-DAY'S GAME

G. I. P. vs. BRIJRAJ YOUNG MEN at 5-30 p.m.

W. I. F. A. Notes

NEW PLANS FOR HARWOOD LEAGUE

With the soccer season due to begin within a fortnight, there is considerable activity at the Cooperage.

The first tournament of the year, the Nadkarni Cup will start on Sunday, April 3rd, instead of on Saturday, the 2nd, as originally announced, the change being due to a request that the Cooperage be made available on April 2nd for the annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade by His Excellency the Governor.

Up to the present there are thirteen entries for the Nadkarni Cup, but so popular has this tourney become that it is confidently expected that last year's record of twenty-seven entrants will be exceeded before the closing date.

With reference to the Harwood League, an important move has been made to encourage the entry of teams composed of Indian players. The W.I.F.A. have, for several years, been endeavouring to foster and popularise soccer among Indian players, and at last it would appear that their efforts are to bear fruit.

During the week there has been held an informal meeting, called by the W.I.F.A. President, Mr. A. C. Hinrichs, and attended by a number of prominent Indian football-lovers.

At this meeting Mr. Hinrichs said he was convinced that it was the desire of all sportsmen interested in football in Bombay to see a good first-class team composed of Indians in action in the major tournaments in this city. He then referred to the experiment tried last season when Mr. Dewjee had formed the Bombay United, and that although the team did not manage to win a single match in the Harwood League, it earned very great praise by its keenness and sportsmanship.

Mr. Hinrichs then turned to the important question of training and equipping Indian teams, and although nothing definite was settled it was more or less agreed that a trainer might be obtained from the military authorities. It was also generally agreed that the Indian players would do better during the monsoon if they played in boots.

As the result of the discussion it was decided that the Bombay United Football Team should carry on under the general control of a Committee consisting of Mr. N. G. Nadkarni as President, Mr. J. D'Aguair as Secretary, Mr. C. B. Sethna as Treasurer, and Capt. Himatsingh and Messrs. Munshi, Mehta, Vakil, and Vishram as members.

It was suggested that members of the W.I.F.A. might make themselves responsible for the money necessary for equipment.

It was also agreed that during the forthcoming Nadkarni Cup tournament a close watch be kept for outstanding players who might be asked to join Bombay United.

The possibility of a second Indian team for the Harwood League was then put forward by a request that Mr. Dewjee might this year raise a team from among the three teams from the South Kanara Sporting Association that had already entered for the Nadkarni Cup. It was believed that influential members of the South Kanara Community would be only too pleased to assist in financing such a team which Mr. Dewjee agreed to sponsor.

Yet a third Indian team might also figure in the Harwood League this season if Mr. Mitter, President of the Indian Football League, is successful in persuading his Committee to raise an eleven from among the players in the many teams in that league. There is excellent football seen during the season from among these "juniors," and if they can only raise a side, it should give a great fillip to football among Indian players.

In closing the meeting Mr. Hinrichs said that the W.I.F.A. would give all possible help during the season by allowing players to practise on the Cooperage.

NEW HONORARY SECRETARY.

When Mr. N. J. Turner, the Honorary Secretary of the W.I.F.A goes to England on leave next month, his place will be taken by Mr. C. T. Day, who has already got into harness. In fact, all who have any part to play in soccer this season should get into touch with Mr. Day in future as he is now handling a good deal of the work.

The last "official" duty of Mr. Turner before proceeding on leave will be a visit to Delhi to represent the W.I.F.A at the annual meeting of the All-India Football Federation on March 27th.

And the first "real" function of the soccer season will be the W.I.F.A. Dinner and Dance at the Taj Mahal on April 7th, tickets for which are now available.

ROBBING HOST WHO FED HIM

High Court Awards 5 Years To Poona Accused

Mr. Justice N. J. Wadia and Mr. Justice Divatia at the High Court disposed of the reference made by the Sessions Judge of Poona in the case of one Mahadu Bhiva came up for hearing before Mr. Justice N. J. Wadia and Mr. Justice Divatia at the High Court.

The accused, along with one Hari Balaji, was tried in the Poona Sessions Court on the charge of robbing one Satraji Marwadi of two gold images on October 17 last.

JURY'S VERDICT.

The jury returned a verdict of "not guilty" in favour of both the accused, but the Sessions Judge differed in the case of the first accused and made a reference to the High Court recommending that he should be convicted and awarded an enhanced sentence in view of the fact that he had one previous conviction.

It appeared that on October 17 last one Satraji Marwadi who ran a jewellery shop at Poona met the first accused at a 'bidi' shop. The latter who had a cycle shop opposite the Marwadi's shop tried to be familiar with the Marwadi. The two then went to a hotel where they had refreshments at the expense of the Marwadi.

ACCUSED'S RUSE.

Late at night when leaving the hotel, the accused requested the Marwadi to be allowed to sleep in his house that night, to which he agreed.

In the early hours of the morning, it was stated, the second accused knocked at the door. The first accused opened the door, after which, it was alleged, both of them belaboured the sleeping Marwadi who became unconscious and decamped with two gold images stolen from the Marwadi's cupboard.

In disposing of the reference, their lordships referred to the confession of the first accused and the fact that the stolen property was recovered from him. In view of these circumstances their lordships thought that the jury's verdict finding him not guilty was perverse and must be set aside.

Their lordships sentenced the first accused to 5 years' rigorous imprisonment.

SUSPENSION FROM SERVICE

School Committee's Decision

"Suspension for the present and dismissal from service, if and when convicted." This was the decision arrived at by the members of the Schools Committee when they considered the report of the Secretary regarding the arrest of Desaibhai Pragji Makwana, a municipal schools teacher, on a charge of accepting race bets.

Desaibhai Pragji Makwana, the report stated, was arrested by the Lamington Road Police on March 19 on the charge of accepting race bets.

The members of the Committee were unanimously of the opinion that the teacher in question, should be immediately suspended and that he should be sacked, if convicted.

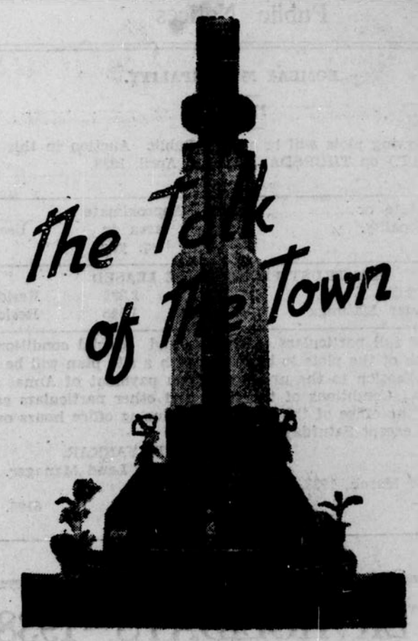
Death Of A Popular Officer

Feeling references were made to the late Mr. Frank Wright Assistant Manager, Transportation, the B.E.S.T. Co., Ltd., at a meeting held in the administrative office of the Company on Friday afternoon. There was a large gathering of traffic staff heads of departments and officers. Mr. F. C. Annesley, a Director of the Company, presided.

Opening the proceedings, Mr. F. Aulton, Traffic Manager, said the purpose of the meeting was to express their regret at the sad and sudden death in London of Mr. Wright who had been associated with the Company for over 19 years.

Mr. F. C. Annesley, in asking Mr. E. G. Lazarus to give a short prayer for the help and guidance of Mrs. Wright in her most difficult period paid a high tribute to Mr. Wright's zeal and concern for the interests of the Company and its staff. "We very much regret," he said, "his having been cut off at such an early age. He will be greatly missed not only by the members of the Board and his colleagues but also by the whole traffic staff. He was a most efficient and painstaking officer and I know he was held in very high regard by everybody who came into contact with him."

The Governing Body of the Women's Christian College, Madras, has appointed Miss Eleanor H. Rivett, M.A., of the London Missionary Society, as Principal in succession to Miss McDougall.—United Press.



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Bombay Mofussil Maternity, Child and Health Council, Bombay Presidency Baby and Health Week Association and Bombay Branch of the Baby and Health Week Association, combined annual general meetings, Lady Lumley presiding, Sanitary Association's Hall, Princess Street, 11-45 a.m.

S. S. 'Maloja' with English mails sails at 2 p.m.

RELIGIOUS DISCOURSE

Swami Gunateetananda of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, will give a discourse on Dnyneshwari at Dhuru Hall, Dadar on Sunday the 27th instant at 9 a.m.

"WORK BEFORE PARSI YOUTH"

As regards the lecture of Sir J. C. Coyaji, Kt. on "The Work Before the Parsi Youth" to be held under the auspices of the Y. M. P. A. at the Sir Jivanji Mody Hall to-day (Saturday) it should be noted that Sir Shapoorji B. Billimoria Kt., who was to have presided cannot do so, due to unavoidable engagement elsewhere, and instead Principal Sorab R. Daver, M.L.C. will take the Chair.

AMUSEMENT OF THE DAY

BROADWAY—"Maid of Salem". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Alcatraz Island". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Kunku". Daily at 5, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
EROS—"Public Enemy's Wife". To-day at 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Smash and Grab". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Ushne Kya Socha". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"The Unexpected". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Lutaroo Lalna". Daily at 5, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Kanhopatra". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.
MINERVA—"Mitha Zahar". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Chandrarao More". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
PATHE—"Breakfast For Two". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m. To-morrow morning show at 10 a.m.
REGAL—"Lancer Spy". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
SUPER—"Khoodaj Khidmadgar". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-25 p.m.
WELLINGTON—"That Girl from Paris". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"300 Days and After". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.

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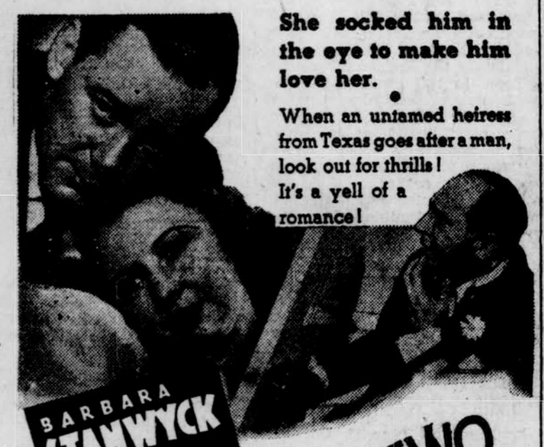

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"FRONTIER PROBLEM"

Khudai Khidmatgar To Address Meeting

Under the auspices of the Bombay Students' Union Lala Mangal Sen, a Khudai Khidmatgar, will address a public meeting on "The Frontier Problem" with special reference to Hindu-Muslim Unity and the Fakir of Ipi to-day (Saturday), at 7 p.m. at the Blavatsky Lodge Hall. The lecture will be illustrated by magic lantern slides.

'G' WARD TENANTS' LEAGUE

The members of 'G' Ward Tenants' League will be visiting the following chawls near Lady Jamshedji and Lady Hardinge Road, Matunga, to-morrow (Sunday) at 8-30 a.m. (S.T.) (1) Mudgaonkar's Chawl; (2) Bidye Wadi; (3) Shri Nath Bldg.; (4) Ekanath Bldg., (5) Kowli Wadi; (6) Bhageshwar Bhuvan; (7) Amarnath Bhuvan; (8) Moti Bldg., and also adjacent localities.

Flag Salutation

AT BHULESHWAR

Under the auspices of Bhuleshwar District Congress Committee, a monthly flag salutation will be performed on Sunday the 27th instant at 8 a.m. (S.T.) Sjt. Ganapatishankar Desai, Secretary of the B. P. C. C. will hoist the Flag.

AT BYCULLA

Monthly Flag Salutation will be celebrated on Sunday the 27th instant at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at Committee's office under the presidentship of Sjt. R. K. Achrekar. An urgent meeting of the Managing Committee will be held on Sunday the 27th instant at 9 p.m. (S.T.) at the Committee's office.

IN 'G' WARD

Monthly Flag Salutation ceremony will be performed on Sunday the 27th instant at 9 a.m. in the Congress Committee's Office.

A monthly meeting of the members of the Council of Management of the 'G' Ward District Congress Committee will be held on Sunday the 27th instant at 8-30 a.m. in the Congress Committee's office.

AT VILE PARLE

Under the joint auspices of the Vile Parle and Andheri Taluka Congress Committees, the monthly National Flag Salutation ceremony will take place on Sunday the 27th instant at 8 a.m. (S. T.) at Chhavani Building, Ghodbunder Road, Vile Parle. Sjt. Ratubhai Desai will hoist the National Flag.

IN 'A' WARD

Under the auspices of the 'A' Ward District Congress Committee, the monthly Flag Salutation will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at the Ward's Congress Office, at Bazargate Street. Dr. N. S. Hardikar will perform the ceremony.

IN 'F' WARD

Under the auspices of the 'F' Ward District Congress Committee, the monthly Flag Salutation will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at the Committee's office, Poibavdi Parel. Sjt. Jhinabhai P. Joshi M.L.A., President of the Committee will unfurl the Flag.

AT KHAR

There will be a monthly Flag Salutation cersmony at 8 a.m. on Sunday the 27th instant at Laxmi Pavilion, 10th Road, Khar.

AT GHATKOPAR

Under the auspices of Ghatkopar Taluka Congress Committee, a programme of monthly National Flag Salutation will be held on Sunday the 27th instant at Ghatkopar Satyagraha Chhavni.

'F' WARD D. C. C.

An urgent meeting of the Council of Management of the 'F' Ward District Congress Committee will be held to-day (Saturday) at 8 p.m. (S.T.) at the Committee's office, Parel Poibavdi.

POSTAL NOTICE

Registered and unregistered mails for Australia per s.s. 'Otranto' via Madura and Colombo will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 8-30 and 9 a.m. respectively on Wednesday the 30th instant.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The N Y K steamer 'Ryuyo Maru' left Colombo for Bombay on the 24th March, and is due to arrive here on Monday the 28th March at noon.

GANDHARVA MAHA VIDYALAYA

A public concert will be held to-day (Saturday) at 9-30 p.m. in the Vidyalaya Hall, Benham Hall Lane, Girgaon.

"IDEAL-MUSICO" (MUSIC CLUB)

A concert of classical and light music by Prof. Bapurao Ketkar will take place at Dadar in the hall of 'Vyas Sangeet Vidyalaya' to-day (Saturday) at 9-30 p.m.

KANARA BROTHERHOOD

Under the auspices of the Kanara Brotherhood, a programme of Vocal music by Miss Kamal Shirali, will be held in the Brotherhood Hall to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. (S.T.).

R. M. BHATT HIGH SCHOOL

The School Assembly Hall of R. M. Bhatt High School will be opened to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) by Sir Jehangir Boman Behram, Kt., Ex-Mayor of Bombay.

MINISTER DESAI TO OPEN

The opening ceremony of Village Industrial Bhojanalay will be performed by Hon. Mr. M. R. Desai, Minister of Revenue, to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 a.m.

This is the first lodge in Bombay to supply the public with pure diet certified by All-India Village Industrial Association

Hon. Dr. Gilder, Minister of Health and other prominent members of the Assembly are likely to attend the ceremony.

MRS. TARA DESHPANDE.

Mrs. Tara Deshpande, B.Sc. (Hons.), C. Ed. (Cantab.), will lead a ladies tour to Europe, which will start from Bombay on 14th April 1938. Mrs. Deshpande has twice been to Europe and has travelled extensively and is the first Indian lady to lead an European tour like this.

ART EXHIBITION AT PAREL

Under the auspices of the Gokhale Education Society, the fourth triennial exhibition of Art and Craft will be opened in the Assembly Hall of the Ramchandra M. Bhatt High School, Parel, to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. by M. A. Joshi, President, Art Society of India.

"ISLAM IS NOT INTOLERANT"

Under the auspices of the Travancore Union, Bombay, there will be a public meeting on Sunday the 27th instant at 10-30 a.m. (S.T.) at Napoo Hall, Matunga G. I. P. Mr. C. Raju will speak on the subject "Islam is not intolerant" and the Hon. Y. M. Nurie Minister of Bombay Government will preside.

PARSEE ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBITION

The above exhibition organised by the Parsee Bekari Fund opened at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall yesterday (Friday). It will continue upto Sunday the 27th instant. It is open from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

LADY LUMLEY TO PRESIDE

The combined annual general meetings of (1) the Bombay Mofussil Maternity, Child Welfare and Health Council, (2) the Bombay Presidency Baby and Health Week Association and (3) its Bombay Branch will be held at the Sanitary Association's Hall, Princess Street, Bombay to-day (Saturday) at 11-45 a.m. (S. T.) under the presidentship of Lady Lumley.

You are requested to attend.

MEETING AT KAMATIPURA

Under the auspices of the Vasha Grahe Utchattan Committee, a public meeting of the residents of Kamatipura will be held in the Telegu Mununwar Wadi under the presidentship of Mr. Benjamin Horniman at 9 p.m. to-day (Saturday), when Messrs. Parulekar, M.L.A., S. L. Silam, Dr. V. R. Bhoosarath etc. will speak on "The necessity of removal of prostitutes from the Kamatipura locality."

NORTH KANARA G. S. B. SANGH

There will be a programme of Dance and Instrumental music by famous and talented artistes Sukhendu Bikash and Party of the School of Tagore, Bengal, to-day (Saturday) at 8 p.m. at the Sangh's Hall, Sokabai Building, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Girgaon.

KARNATAK SANGH, BOMBAY

A variety entertainment programme, under the auspices of the Karnatak Sangh, Bombay, will be held at the People's Jinnah Hall, near Congress House, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Girgaon, on Sunday the 27th instant from 4-30 p.m. onwards for about 3 hours.

The programme consists (1) Staging of a short Kannada drama entitled "Talikoti", written by Shriman Masti—Venkatesh Iyengar. (2) Staging of another short Kannada drama entitled "Ashwamedha", written by Prof. R. V. Jahgirdar; and (3) Vocal music by (a) Mr. Patwardhan and by (b) Mr. Pralhadrao Joshi, well-known Radio-Singers.

Members representing Karnatak in the Bombay Legislative Assembly will be present on the occasion.

HOMOEOPATHIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

A special conference of homoeopaths of Western India including the Bombay Presidency and Sind, has been arranged at Shripant Bhuvan, Sandhurst Bridge, Chowpatty, Bombay, to-day (Saturday) at 2 p.m. when Dr. G. B. Patel, the president of the association will preside.

Mr. S. H. Jhabwala M.L.A. has been requested to perform the opening ceremonies of the session.

B. I. C. A.'S PARTY TO LEGISLATORS

Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas, President and Directors of the East India Cotton Association Limited will hold a reception in honour of the members of the Bombay Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council at 9-30 p.m. on Saturday the 2nd April at the Cotton Exchange Building, Kalbadevi Road, and afterwards at about 4-30 p.m. at the Cotton Green Building, Sewri.

"WORK BEFORE PARSI YOUTH"

Sir J. C. Coyaji, Kt., will deliver a lecture under the auspices of the Y. M. P. A. on Saturday, 26th March at 6 p.m. at the Sir Jivanji Mody Hall, near the Prince of Wales Museum, Fort, Bombay. The subject of the lecture is "The Work Before Parsi Youth," the lecture is open to the public. Sir Shapoorji B. Billimoria, Kt. M.B.E., J.P. will preside.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By A SUBURBAN MAN).

Besides the cry of insufficient water in the Suburbs, comes the cry of heavy taxes paid for it.

Though most of the lakes that supply water are in the Suburbs, yet the latter have no water supply of their own and purchase their water from the Bombay Municipality at the rate of Re. 1 per thousand gallons. Besides this, a meter charge of Re. 1 per month is levied.

These high charges have been the grievance of landlords throughout the Suburbs, but little or nothing seems to have been done to relieve them of such exorbitant charges.

Some time back the Bandra Municipal Board discussed this problem and now I am told the Vile Parle Municipal Board is moving in this matter.

The last meeting of the Board discussed this question and the meeting decided to consider the question of taking up the water supply question with the Government.

For this purpose the meeting authorised the President, Mr. J. W. L. Gomes, to approach Government.

DR. DIAS RE-ELECTED.

On Wednesday last the Bandra Municipal Board held their re-election of President, Vice-President and Committees for the extended period of their terms, owing to preparation of new election rolls.

Dr. P. A. Dias and Mr. J. K. Mehta were re-elected President and Vice-President respectively. The Old Committees were also re-elected with a few changes.

To help the funds for reconstruction of the demolished St. Peter's Church at Bandra, a troupe of local artistes will stage on April 24 Gilbert and Sullivan "Pirates of Penzance."

A Grand Fancy Fete will be held on the grounds of the Willingdon Catholic Gymkhana on Easter Sunday, in aid of the newly built Church at Santa Cruz.

The Fete is to be opened by His Grace the Archbishop of Bombay.

INCOME-TAX BILL

Protest Against Rush Tactics

"The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, have sent the following telegram to the Government of India, Finance Department, regarding the Income Tax Amending Bill:

Committee, Indian Merchants' Chamber, understand from Press reports that Government propose introducing the Income Tax Bill shortly. Committee consider that the Income Tax Bill is going to be an extremely important piece of legislation which will affect commercial and industrial interests specially, and strongly protest if it is the intention of Government to rush it through without any adequate opportunity being given to commercial and industrial community for consideration of the measure in all its details. They, therefore, suggest that after introduction, the Bill should be circulated for commercial opinion and further progress of the Bill should be proceeded with only after adequate time for receiving such opinion.

ALL-INDIA JAIN CONFERENCE

The All-India Jain Association Conference was held on the 19th and 20th inst., at Wardha under the Presidentship of Seth Rajmalji Larwani, Congress M.L.A. Khandesh. Prominent among those present were seth Pukhraj Kochar, Congress M. L. A. Mr. Manohar Bapuji, Advocate Akola, Brahmachari Sitalprasadji of Bombay Dr. Junonkar, Ph. D. Professor Hiralal Jain. Resolutions were passed, the most important being a request to Congress Ministries to declare Mahabir Jayanti a public holiday.

Bombay Prarthana Samaj

The Bombay Prarthana Samaj will complete its 71st year on 27th instant. To-day (Saturday) there will be a Hari Kirtan by Prof. V. K. Joag at 8-30 p.m.

MOGAVEERA FREE NIGHT SCHOOL

The Jt. Hon. Superintendents of the Mogaveera F. N. School write: The annual athletic sports of the School will be held on Sunday the 27th instant at 7-30 a.m. (S.T.) at Cooperage, W. I. F. A. ground. Interesting items, such as, long jump, high jump, pole-vault, 440-yard race, shot-put, have been kept for old students. Therefore, all past students should avail themselves of this opportunity Old students those who desire to compete in sports should register their names. Entry will be closed on Saturday the 26th instant at 9 p.m. (S.T.) For details please see the Hon. Superintendents at School, between 7-30 p.m. to 9-45 p.m.

CONGRESS LABOUR OFFICE AT PAREL

Under the auspices of the Labour Sub-Committee of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee the opening ceremony of the Congress Labour Office, at Sham Bhuvan, Poibavdi, Parel will be performed by the Hon. Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Local Self-Government, to-morrow (Sunday) at 7 p.m. (S.T.).

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION

The annual general meeting of the Electrical Contractors' Association was held on the 12th instant when the Thirteenth Annual Report and the Audited Statements of Account of the Association were adopted unanimously and a new managing committee was formed for the current year 1938-39, who elected the following new office-bearers: Mr. F. K. Marshall (President); Mr. Alfred Lobo (Vice-President); Mr. I. B. Damania and Mr. D. G. Pandit (Jt. Hon. Secretaries) and Mr. S. M. Jassawalla and Mr. M. D. Daruwalla (Jt. Hon. Treasurers).

Mr. K. S. Gunder and Mr. B. Ram Hari were re-elected representatives of the Association on the Licensing Board (Elec. Dept.) P. W. D. Bombay.

TRAVANCORE UNION

Under the auspices of the Travancore Union, Mr. C. Raju will deliver a lecture on "Islam Is Not Intolerant" at Napoo Hall, Matunga, on Sunday at 10 a.m. The Hon'ble Mr. Yasin Nurie will preside.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

Lady Lumley presided at the annual general meeting of the Bombay Presidency Infant Welfare Society at Government House on Friday.

FAREWELL TO SWAMI VISHWANAND

To bid farewell to Swami Vishwanand, Resident of Sri Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, on the eve of his departure to America, a public meeting of the citizens of Khar will be held under the auspices of the Khar Residents' Association at the Laxmi Society's Pavilion, 10th Road, on Sunday the 27th March at 8-30 p.m. The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher will preside.

A meeting of Khar children will be held at 5 p.m. to-day in the Ashram Library hall, to give a hearty send off to the Swami. All children and sympathisers are cordially invited to attend the Function.

SWAMI VISHWANAND TO BE ENTERTAINED

The Juhu Theosophical Community will entertain Swami Vishwanand, President of the Ramakrishna Mission Khar, Bombay, on the eve of his departure to America, to-day (Saturday) at 7 p.m. on the Colony grounds.

The King Emperor's Anti-Tuberculosis Fund Day

The entire proceeds of the gate-money to-day (Saturday) will be donated to the above fund. Visit the FAIR, HELP our Industry Enjoy the Show and do Service to Humanity, time from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.

SIR M. ZAFRULLA KHAN

To Arrive By "Viceroy Of India"

Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan who went to London in January last, to resume trade negotiations with the United Kingdom on behalf of India, and Mr. N. R. Pillai, his official adviser, will return to India in the s.s. "Viceroy of India", on March 31.

DIGAMBER JAIN CONFERENCE

(From A Correspondent.)
KHANDWA, March 24.

The 14th session of the All-India Digamber Jain conference will be held at Khandwa during the coming Easter holidays. About 150 persons have been enrolled as members of the Reception Committee. The election of the office bearers of the reception committee took place on the 22nd inst., Babu Sukhchandji Jain M.L.C. Holker State has been elected as president, with Babu Hajarilalji Jain, Babu Amolakchandji Jain M. M. and Babu Kamalchandji Jain as Reception Secretary and Joint Secretaries, respectively. Seven sub-committees have also been appointed.

INDIAN INDUSTRIES FAIR

Prof. Shaishappa and his party will perform various feats to-day (Saturday) and on Sunday 27th inst., between 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the open ground show near exhibition Theatre in the exhibition ground.

RISHIKUL KUMBH FAIR

A Sanatan Dharma Sammelan and a Sanskrit Sahitya Sammelan will respectively be held from 6th April to 12th April and from 7th April to 9th April 1938 under the presidentship of Jagat Guru Shri Shankaracharya Gobardhan Math on the coming Kumbh occasion.

ADULT FRANCHISE LEAGUE

Under the auspices of the Adult Franchise League a public meeting will be held at Fish Market Lane Dhobi Talao to-day (Saturday) at 8-30 p.m. to demand adult Franchise for Bombay Municipal electorate and to support Mr. S. C. Joshi's Rent Restricion Bill.

KANARA SARASWAT ASSOCIATION

Mr. A. S. Thakur, a preacher of Poona conversant with the Jnaneshwari will give a Pravachana on Bhakti Yoga in Marathi, in the Association Hall, to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. (S. T.)

PARLE TILAK VIDYALAYA

Parle Tilak Vidyalaya, Vile Parle will celebrate its Annual prize Distribution on Sunday (to-morrow) at 8-30 a.m. under the presidentship of Hon Mr. G. V. Mavlankar.

SHIVAJI PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Shivaji Public School, Dadar will celebrate its Social gathering and Prize Distribution to-day (Saturday) at 4-30 p.m. Mr. S. S. Patkar will preside.

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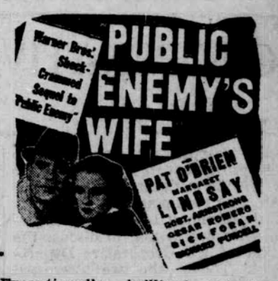

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SEPARATION OF ANDHRA

TENALI, (By Mail).

A unanimous demand for a separate Andhra Province within April next, failing which to prepare the Province for the boycott of non-Andhra goods and institutions, is contained in a resolution adopted by the Andhra Defence League at its special session held here. Mr. D. Vankatasubba Rao of Nandyal presided.—United Press.

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CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENT

The co-operative movement in this province came in for some very frank criticism during the debate that took place on Wednesday in the Bombay Legislative Assembly on a cut motion to discuss the policy of the Cooperative Department. Those, who are interested in co-operation as a method of social reorganization, should welcome this criticism, because a democratic movement cannot but stand to benefit by a public discussion of its drawbacks and defects. The co-operative movement in this province, as the mover of the cut motion pointed out, is mainly confined to credit, and while the shortcomings of the co-operative credit system need not be glossed over it should not be forgotten that other systems of rural credit have also been overwhelmed during the recent worldwide economic depression. The co-operative credit machinery has received serious set-backs in various countries, all the world over and, as Miss Margaret Digby, Secretary of the Horace Plunkett Foundation of London, observes in the course of an article in the "Indian Co-operative Review," in several of the predominantly agricultural countries of Europe, the State has been called upon to go to the help of the agricultural debtors in co-operative societies through the banking agencies which finance them. In Bombay, as the Hon. Minister in-charge of Co-operation explained, the position in this respect is better than in most Indian provinces. That fact can, by itself, afford little satisfaction. It is necessary to examine thoroughly and at an early date the extent to which the assets of agricultural credit societies and their central financing agencies have become frozen as a result of the depression and to take immediately such steps as are necessary to liquefy the frozen assets. If in the process of reorganization it is found that there is need for some form of State aid being extended to members, of societies Government should not hesitate to provide this, on their being satisfied that the affairs of the stagnant society are reorganized on sound lines.

State Aid

In the course of the debate, reference was made by Mr. Jamnadas Mehta to the problem of marketing. Costly marketing surveys have been conducted by the Government of India in recent years, but these have not so far led to any appreciable improvement in the marketing of crops by the small producer. Co-operative marketing, as the Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai remarked, will go a long way in saving the agriculturist from exploitation at the hands of a series of middlemen. It is essential, however, that this work should be taken in hand right in the villages by the local credit societies or the proposed multi-purpose societies and a definite link should be established between the provision of credit and the disposal of the crop. This will be one of the ways of converting the peasant's deficit economy into a surplus economy, the other being the promotion of cottage industries and subsidiary occupations allied to agriculture. In both these fields of co-operative effort, the guidance and assistance of the State will be valuable, provided care is taken to see that it does not degenerate into mere spoon-feeding which involves wasteful expenditure of State money and demoralizes the recipient.

Apathy Of Congressmen

But all these forms of co-operative endeavour, whether old or new, demand an army of workers and it is on the failure of the co-operative movement, in a large measure, to secure the right type of workers that trenchant criticism was directed. It will be presenting an exaggerated and misleading picture of the movement to allege, as some critics have done, that co-operation is the refuge of the exploiter and the self-seeker, of the corrupt and the dishonest. In this movement, as in others, there are the black sheep, and under the aegis of the Government that ruled over us in the Provinces till recently the self-seeking adventurer often came to occupy if he kept on the right side of officialdom, a position of importance in co-operation, as in other walks of life. Further, it has to be recognized that in a democratic machinery, faith in ideals and the spirit of service cannot be put to the best before elections take place. These factors may explain, to a certain extent, the insufficiency of personnel fired by ideals and imbued with the spirit of service. Moreover because of its association with a bureaucratic system of administration, the bulk of national workers in the district religiously kept themselves aloof from the co-operative movement. Nevertheless it cannot be denied that if the movement has not fulfilled all the expectations raised about it, the responsibility for this rests, to no small extent, on Congressmen who, in the past, did not realize its potentialities for national regeneration. Not to speak of many co-operators, still living amidst us, who have rendered invaluable service to the country as well as the movement through it, the great work done by the late Sir Vithaldas Thackersey, Sir Lalubhai Samaldas and Mr. G. K. Devdhar as pioneers will long be remembered though it was not adequately appreciated by Congressmen. But now that the Central Co-operative Department is vested in a responsible, public-spirited Minister who seeks the assistance of all selfless, disinterested workers in reorganizing the movement it may be hoped that national workers will not hesitate to join a movement through which they can, in course of time, help in building up efficient, self-governing economic organization for the agriculturist, the small producer, and the consumer in urban areas.

Blow To Peace

There is no country in the world that does not swear by peace as the "fundamental basis" of its policy. Even Italy, Germany and Japan never fail to do so with the same earnestness as was employed by Mr. Chamberlain. To pretend "peace" is, therefore, utterly meaningless in itself. What matters is the nature of peace, that is sought to be preserved, and in what ways. According to this, the real and practical test, the speech of Mr. Chamberlain is literally no improvement on the position, and since it fails to improve, it thereby renders the world situation still worse, because it accentuates the feeling of insecurity in the face of the ever-advancing tide of international Fascist aggression. Critically analysed in terms of any of the contingencies that are imminent, it is impossible—and we do not exaggerate when we say "impossible"—to be at all certain as to where Britain stands or will stand except in cases as of Austria and Spain, in which Britain has already surrendered herself to international Fascism. At best Mr. Chamberlain betrays himself as a man torn between a profound desire to help and abet international Fascism and the progressively weakening urge of conscience and decency.

There are three points—in addition to the determined insistence on the unblushingly base and cowardly betrayal of Spain—in Mr. Chamberlain's speech, which all illustrate what we have said above. Let us take first his refusal to accept the Russian invitation to a conference of Democratic Powers. He does so on the ground that "the Conference suggested would aggravate the tendency towards the establishment of exclusive groups, which must be inimical to European peace." The hypocritical plausibility of it is a little too obvious. The Rome-Berlin Axis has rendered a counter grouping necessary by those who are inevitably menaced by it. This is, in fact, an urgent demand of peace, because the Rome-Berlin Axis means aggressive business all round. Mr. Chamberlain, however, does not believe it. Indeed, he "does not underrate the definite assurances given by Germany." There is only one answer to this: Either Mr. Chamberlain is seeking deliberately and impudently to humbug the world, or his horrible naivete is a greater menace to the world than international Fascism itself. Does not Mr. Chamberlain's attitude amount to moral encouragement to Fascism? As regards Czecho-Slovakia Mr. Chamberlain is dangerously equivocal. In one place he says, it is true that Czecho-Slovakia may constitute a case for "using armaments to help the victim of aggression." But Britain is not at all bound to do so. And he actually took pains to make it clear that he was not prepared to give any assurance to Czecho-Slovakia individually or in a group of nations even in the event of—we quote his words—"any forcible interference with the independence and integrity of Czecho-Slovakia." If this, too, is not further encouragement to Nazi Germany, what is it?

But even more dangerous is Mr. Chamberlain's enunciation of his attitude towards "treaty obligations"—incidentally the obligations under the Covenant are not regarded by the British Premier as the same thing as treaty obligations. Britain is bound, says Mr. Chamberlain, by Locarno obligations to France and Belgium. But will he fight for France, for instance? Not necessarily. Let us take the example which Mr. Chamberlain himself took. France is committed, as a matter of honour, to the defence of Czecho-Slovakia. It is a long-standing obligation to which Britain has never objected and which France has assured Czecho-Slovakia only recently that she would honour in all circumstances. In honouring that obligation France will be inevitably involved in a war with Germany. Mr. Chamberlain says that Britain is not prepared to give a prior guarantee of support to France even "in the event of of her being called upon by *German aggression* on Czecho-Slovakia to implement her obligations to Czecho-Slovakia" (our italics). This, almost a pointed reply to French reiteration of assurances to Czecho-Slovakia, is worse than the blackmail of an ally. The baseness of it is beyond words. For it almost constitutes an invitation to Germany to risk a war with France via Czecho-Slovakia. The net result of Mr. Chamberlain's speech is snub to Russia and desertion of Czecho-Slovakia and France—the only three bulwarks of security against International Fascism. It has simultaneously strengthened International Fascism. This is British Foreign Policy. Does it mean "the maintenance and preservation of peace and the establishment of a sense of confidence," or does it strike a fatal blow at both? The answer is obvious.

THE RAPACIOUS SOWCAR

And His Unscrupulous Ways

(By G. ANNAJI RAO, M.A., B.L.).

Experience has shown that in spite of a succession of legislative measures to relieve debtors from the exactions of money-lenders, the latter have continued to thrive at the expense of their hard-pressed victims, by evading the pressure of every legislative measure aimed against them. The evidence placed before the Provincial Banking Enquiry Committee of 1929-30, as appearing in the Reserve Bank's Report, disclosed the curious fact that "the more the restraint placed on the money-lender, the worse, became, the position of the borrower." The reason for this is not far to seek. The needy borrower is forced by his circumstances "to collude, with his creditor" in defeating the provisions of every new set of laws intended to relieve him, in order to get for himself the benefit of a loan from the sowcar. And up to a certain period after the date of the loan, he is hand and glove with his creditor and scorns any friendly advice, warning him to beware and to take receipts for any payments made to his creditor. For a long time after the loan his sense of gratitude to the lender for obliging him with a prompt loan in his extreme need makes him yield to every blandishment of the sowcar and to refrain from insisting on receipts for any payments made. Later when the defaults in the agreed monthly instalments become frequent and the sowcar shows his teeth and threatens a suit, the borrower's sense of self-respect and fear of exposure before his neighbours and office superiors keep him under the thumb of his task-master, whom with great efforts he continues to pay, still without obtaining receipts. It is only when the sowcar has squeezed out all he possibly can and finds that neither cajole-

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NEED FOR NATIONAL MERCANTILE MARINE

How Government Have Failed To Satisfy It

By K. G. N.

From 1890 onwards attempts had been going on to set up an Indian mercantile marine in this country. Between that day and 1923 attempts were made in several ports; about 20 or 25 companies were started and roughly ten crores of rupees were sunk by way of capital. Except the Scindia and one or two others all the other companies failed.

The Scindia also survived by virtue of an agreement with the British India. The Scindia started its business with an authorised capital of four crores and a subscribed capital of one crore and 80 lakhs. They bought six cargo steamers to begin with and started the Bombay Rangoon line in 1921.

The Hon. Mr. Ramdas Pantulu in the course of debate in the Council of State depicted the present position of the industry in the following words: "The position of the shipping industry was there (Industrial Exhibition held at Calcutta) exhibited in the form of a pyramid. There were 27 pieces in the pyramid each representing a country, the bottom piece being constituted by the huge British shipping industry with its 19 million tonnage India with its 1-1/2 lakhs of tons—a negligible figure—came as the 24th piece. There were then above us three pieces, Chile, Peru and Turkey with but very little less tonnage than India. They now occupy a lower place and I think India has gone up to 27. Since that exhibition was held in Calcutta. Chile and Turkey have passed their Coastal Reservation Bills and the other country, Peru, has developed its own National mercantile marine. All the three have greater tonnage now than India. Therefore in that pyramid of 27 countries India now occupies the topmost place at the apex, with her 1-1/2 lakhs of tons. She is the conical point of the pyramid to-day."

India's Poor Position

Out of the world total of 65 million tons, India hardly owns 1-1/2 lakhs of tons! Even small countries like Esthonia and Greece own a larger number of ships than India.

The position becomes more pathetically obvious if the quantum of shipping is compared to the quantum of trade. While the United Kingdom contributes slightly over five and a half times India's quantum to the world trade, her merchant shipping is over 79 times as large. Similarly, Norway with a trade of less than one-third of India's, has a mercantile marine over eighteen times as large. Italy, with a fraction over India's trade has a mercantile marine more than 13 times as large. Greece with a trade less than half of India's trade, has a shipping more than five times as large as India's; Denmark, with about half of India's trade, has a merchant shipping five times as that of India's tonnage Yugoslavia and Portugal with less than one-sixth and half respectively, of India's trade, have merchant shipping larger than India.

The present backward position of Indian shipping is due to among other reasons, the complete apathy of the Government of India, who have not even utilized for the development of Indian shipping those very resources such as the carriage of stores and mails which are being used by the British Government for the advancement of British shipping —and the condition of the industry is not to be wondered at.

The one measure that readily suggests itself to give an impetus to the growth of an Indian mercantile marine is to reserve the coastal trafic of India for Indian ships. It is a universally accepted principle that each country has the right to restrict the coastal trade to its own nationals. As the Indian Mercantile Marine Committee observed in the report "the coasting trade of a country is regarded universally as a domestic trade in which foreign flags cannot engage as of right, but to which they may be admitted as an act of 'grace.'"

The reservation of coastal shipping will confer more than one obvious benefit on this country. First and foremost, of course, the enormous monetary drain of the country's wealth into foreign hands will stop. The trade between smaller ports will be encouraged by direct services which are at present very few. More terminal ports will open up and new areas of consumption will be developed. Artificial hindrances to the development of coastal ports into ocean ones will be removed.

Coastal reservation will provide new careers for young Indians, who are now ready in their hundreds to take to a sea-faring life. Everybody is aware of the difficulty experience by the Dufferin cadets in securing employment in British companies.

More than all it will give a great impetus to ship-building in India.

Reserve Coastal Trade

But, unfortunately, India has no power whatsoever to take the necessary steps in this direction. According to a recent investigation of the League of Nations nearly 27 out of 32 maritime countries of the world have reserved their coastal trade to their own coastal bottoms. But India, as has already been remarked, cannot do so. It would be a good answer to point out to those who speak of Dominion Status in action, the different position that prevails in respect of the other Dominions of the British Empire. The following extract from the representation sent to the Select Committee on the Bill to control the Coastal Traffic of India sponsored by Sir A. H. Ghuznavi bring out clearly the invidious position of India in this matter: Under the Statute of Westminster, power is vested in the Governments of the various Dominions to enact such legislation as they choose in regard to their merchant shipping and in regard to the regulation of their coastal trade. In other words, Dominions can reserve their coastal trade to their own national ships as distinguished from British ships which clearly implies that they have got the statutory power to discriminate between a British ship and a national ship. Although the Conference on the operation of Dominion Legislation and Merchant Shipping Legislation of 1929, recommended that the principle of maritime autonomy should be ap-

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

PALESTINE "PURGE"

Says a Reuter message from Jerusalem:—

"A slow process of purging the ecclesiastical regime from unlawful political activity and the creating of a loyal Muslim public service are believed to be behind the Palestine Government's action in dismissing Mr. Amin Beyamimi, one of the three remaining members of the Moslem Supreme Council, and certain judges and officials, who are alleged to be sworn followers of the exiled Mufti."

Being a Reuter message from Jerusalem it may be safely regarded as an inspired statement of Government policy and activities. As such it is an open and unblushing confession which, however, will not surprise this country which is familiar with British methods. The Mandatory Government, it is obvious, is doing every thing possible to consolidate its own position as well as that of the Jews and to suppress completely the Arabs' urge to freedom and to the enjoyment of their rights as the inhabitants of Palestine. But the wonder is that the Muslim leaders in India are blissfully indifferent to what is happening in Palestine.

SECRET CONFISCATION

Asked to lay on the table of the Central Assembly a complete up-to-date list of publications which the Customs authorities are instructed to intercept and confiscate, Sir Henry Craik replied that it would be "against public interest" to do so. The reply practically means that Government cannot invent any clear decent excuse for their secret confiscation of books. If it is the duty of Government to publish laws, so that the public may know what is lawful and what is not, it is as much their duty to say clearly and publicly what publications, according to them, are liable to be confiscated. The public can then judge whether there is any justice or sense in the policy of confiscations. Do Government think that public have no right to judge official acts or are they afraid of publicity exposing their downright injustices?

HARIJANS AND WELLS

According to a statement issued by the Director of Public Information, Bombay, Government's repeated orders giving Harijans full access to public wells are still being ignored by some section of the public and even by some local bodies. It is said that some local bodies have not yet put up the Notice Boards as directed by Government and that in some places the caste Hindus have as a measure of reprisal gone as far as to throw rubbish into the well used by the scheduled castes. Such truculence is, we fear, due partly to Government's laxity in the past in enforcing their own orders. They have done well now to warn all concerned that any further ignoring or defiance of their orders will be severely penalised and that they will not hesitate even to dissolve or supersede recalcitrant local bodies.

PUBLIC HELP

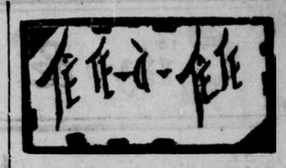
So far as action by the public is concerned, Government realise that executive or legal action alone is not sufficient to prevent caste Hindus from inflicting social boycott and other forms of harassment on the Harijans who assert their rights. They have, therefore, appealed to the Harijan Sevak Sanghs, Depressed Class Missions, and social workers to cooperate with them to obtain for the scheduled castes free and unhampered use of all sources of public water supply in every town and village in this province. Congress Committees should specially interest themselves in this matter. They should realise that access to public wells is far more important and urgent than access to temples.

INDIANS IN AFRICA.

It was a very striking picture of the Indian settlers in Africa, which the members of the East African Delegation drew in their speeches at the informal meeting organised by the Bombay Students' Union on Thursday. Thanks to the growing colour-complex, the plight of our countrymen not only in South Agrica, but also in the other African colonies, is worsening day by day—and it is necessary to remember that there are nearly three hundred thousand of our kith and kin, whose welfare is at stake. "If the present conditions continued as before," observed one of the members, "there would be nothing left to the Indians in Africa but to come back to their motherland bag and baggage." Those words may sound exaggerated, but they, at any rate, reveal as much the gravity as the urgency of the problem. With the Government of India remaining as unwilling as they are unable to protect the rights of Indians abroad, it is obvious that the Indian people must bestir themselves in this matter. The efficacy of national will has been already amply demonstrated in the Zanzibar Clove Boycott and our nationals in Africa and elsewhere should rest assured that their motherland will always hearken to their cry for help.

BHAVNAGAR STATE.

Thanks to the stewardship of the late Sir Prabhashankar Pattani, Bhavnagar is known as one of the most prosperous and progressive States in India at present. Its annual administration reports are thus always of considerable importance to those who take an interest in State affairs. The latest issue of the report (for the year 1935-36) shows a record of steady progress in the various spheres of public welfare, in spite of the heavy decrease of 46 lakhs in the State revenues, which was mainly due to the imposition of the Custom Cordon. One is glad to note that the Debt Redemption Scheme, which was a pioneering attempt of its kind in this country, has proved a notable success. During the year under review the control of the



WITHOUT COMMENT

"ROME, March 24.
Mr. Chamberlain's speech has caused profound satisfaction and relief in Italy. . . . ."—Reuter.

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Sir James Grigg, Finance Member, Government of India, proposes to re-constitute the Standing Finance Committee on the model of the Commons' Estimates Committee.

What is needed is reconstitution of the Government Front Bench on the model of the House of Commons' Treasury Bench.

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Mr. Jinnah has wound up his Independent Party to form a Muslim League Party in the Central Assembly.

People with a long memory might wonder as to what happened to Mr. Jinnah's principle of not countenancing or leading a denominational Party.

But they mustn't. In the first place it is malicious to have a long memory where Mr. Jinnah is concerned. In the second place principles are subordinate to the main Principle

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An A.P.I report says that one of the objects of the Bombay Revenue Minister's visit to Balsar is to persuade owners of confiscated lands to part with them.

Doctor Ambedkar must immediately proceed to do his duty and bring in an adjournment motion.

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Talking of Doctor Ambedkar, our attention has been drawn to a Bombay Government Circular to District Officers ordering repressive measures against caste Hindus in connection with the use of public wells, etc., by Harijans.

Comrade Jamnadas M. Mehta too must immediately proceed to do his duty through an adjournment motion.

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It is strongly rumoured, says our Delhi correspondent, that the Chief Secretary of the Bombay Government will act for the Sind Governor when the latter goes on leave.

We wish they had appointed Sir Ghulam Husain or Sir Shah Nawaz Bhutto.

And, by the way, why is there a general gubernatorial stampede "Home" on leave?

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BRITISH VISITORS ROUGHLY TREATED

Britons Advised To Leave Austria —Headlines.

The right advice. There are no treaty obligations binding Mr. Chamberlain to protect Britons if they are in Austria.

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Oil, it is reported, has been found in Egypt.

Then Heaven help the already unfortunate country.

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"In War", declares Mr. Neville Chamberlain with sanctimonious eloquence, "there are no winners".

But, in the name of all that is sensible, human and honest, why rearm then?

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In spite of "repeated and serious infringements" (by whom?) Mr. Chamberlain considered that "Non-Intervention afforded the best means of avoiding a major conflagration."

A "realistic" tribute to Italy and Germany. Bravo Mr. Chamberlain.

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In their attack on South Huesca, the rebels used smoke screen for the first time in the Spanish Civil War, says a report.

No, it would not be correct to pierce through the smoke screen and find out its origin. It would be a serious breach of—Non-Intervention.

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A slow anti-Arab "purge" is in progress in Palestine, says a Jerusalem report.

Dictatorships may not now boast of the technique as their distinctive feature.

Long live British Democracy!

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Teacher: "Tommy, what is your great ambition?"

Tommy: "To wash mother's cars."

Bhavnagar City Municipality was handed over to the people though the number of nominated members (10 in a House of 65) seems to be unduly high. It is to be hoped that the State will mark its progressive character in a manner which will prove most popular, viz: by granting full responsible government to its people.

Premier's Speech Disappoints U. S.

Issues For Which Britain Would Fight Not Clearly Stated: Dictators Not Shown Limit Beyond Which They Dare Not Go

WASHINGTON, March 24.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech has been received here with some disappointment. It had been expected that he would clearly enunciate the issues for which Britain would fight and produce a detente in the European crisis by telling Dictators the point beyond which they better not go.

The State Department has not commented on Mr. Chamberlain's statement but it is no secret that the United States Government regards the clear enunciation of British policy as one of the pre-requisites for lessening the European tension.

DOMINIONS MUST BE CONSULTED

Dominion Secretary's Assurance In Commons

LONDON, March 24.

Shortly before the House of Commons rose at late hour last night, debate was raised on the question of the extent to which Dominion Governments had been consulted regarding any change in foreign policy since the last general election. Particular reference was made to the Prime Minister's speech of February 22.

Replying, the Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, said that the whole House would agree that the closest possible contact with Dominions' Governments should be maintained in regard to international affairs. What the Prime Minister had said with regard to the League on Feb. 22 did not represent any change of policy on the part of the United Kingdom Government. Those views as to the ability of the League to fulfil all functions which, one had hoped, it would be able to fulfil, constituted as it was at present, had been held by the United Kingdom Government for very long time.—Reuter.

ENSURE PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH

Sir John Simon Winds Up Commons Debate: No Division

LONDON, March 24.

In the House of Commons there was no division at the end of the debate on Mr. Chamberlain's speech. The bill on which discussion had taken place was passed unchallenged amid loud ministerial cheers.

Sir John Simon winding up the debate for the Government said that their policy was, at whatever cost, to make the country safe by making it strong. They believed this was the best guarantee for peace.

"We are making no threats, but we show, and invite the country to show, a determination which is all the more impressive because it is a determination of a free people. This policy calls for co-operation from each according to the help he can bring. We appeal for goodwill and help of all and in view of the issues at stake we are confident that goodwill and help will be forthcoming.

DISTINCT STEP FORWARD

PARIS, March 24.

It is generally felt that Mr Chamberlain's statement is a distinct step forward, a severe warning to would-be aggressors, that he intends nothing contrary to French interests and in defending British interests, he is also safeguarding those of France.

It is felt that Britain will be on France's side in the hour of need. Special stress is laid on the passage in the speech in which Mr. Chamberlain, after mentioning national interests, said there were other causes for which Britain might take up arms.—Reuter.

Czech Christian Socialists Join Nazis

PRAGUE, March 24.

The Christian Socialists have seceded from the Government and their representative, M. Zajicek, has resigned from the Cabinet. The Party in future will closely co-operate with the Sudetan German Party.—Reuter.

Press Welcomes Chamberlain's Pronouncement

We Must Arm, Arm And Arm, Says "Daily Mail"

LONDON, March 25.

The Prime Minister's historic pronouncement on foreign policy with the call for a stronger Britain to support a policy of peace is warmly approved in the morning papers which generally characterise the speech as plain, straightforward and emphatic.

The "Times" declared that the Covenant has never been understood to impose simultaneous and identical duty of action irrespective of place and time and in defiance of geography and strategy. British foreign policy cannot be a wholesale undertaking to engage in warlike action unconditionally, instantly and wherever offences against international order may invoke it, nor was it such in the mouth of the Prime Minister yesterday. But subject to this sole limitation, it has again been put beyond all doubt where Britain stands among nations.

British arms and diplomacy cannot truly be devoted to the defence of British interests if they are not enlisted year in and year out on behalf of the common cause of civilisation, nor can they command the united backing of British opinion upon any other term.

The "Daily Telegraph" says short of "blazing indiscretions" it is difficult to see if the speech could have been more positive and at the same time duly regardful of the fact that the fundamental basis of British policy is peace. It is of good augury that no criticism of substance against Government's plans was raised from the opposition benches. Their occupants may be convinced that the increase in armaments alone is no sure guarantee of peace but they can hardly dispute the Prime Minister's conclusion that "reliance upon the assertion of loyalty to the principles of the Covenant is not enough." The country must be strong enough to meet whatever call is made upon it.

The "Daily Mail" says that for Britain the international situation leaves only one conclusion. We must arm, arm and arm.

The "Daily Herald" says, that the trouble with Mr. Chamberlain's speech is that it leaves things exactly as they are although everyone is agreed that things as they are simply will not do. All it contains for anybody hoping for a confident and active policy of constructive peace is disappointment.

The "News Chronicle" declares that Mr. Chamberlain's references to Czechoslovakia were better than they had been feared in many quarters. He has turned his back firmly on a policy of isolation. Great Britain cannot disinterest herself in what happens in Central Europe. Mr. Chamberlain spoke in diplomatic language but when his words are carefully examined they will be seen to be and are meant to be a warning to Nazi Germany.—Reuter.

FRANCO'S VICTORY IMMINENT

ROME, March 24.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech has caused profound satisfaction and relief in Italy. It is felt that it will deter the French from attempting to interfere in Spain and prevent a victory for General Franco.

The reference to Anglo-Italian talks and vindication of good faith in the Italian Government are received with pleasure. The refusal to give an automatic undertaking to Czechoslovakia is regarded as a wise avoidance of a course which would have brought Europe nearer to war. The rejection of the Soviet proposal for a conference is approved.—Reuter.

ANGLO-AMERICAN TRADE AGREEMENT

LONDON, March 24.

Optimism regarding the possible Anglo-American Trade Agreement as a result of present negotiations was expressed by the Secretary to the Board of Trade, Captain Euan Wallace during the Commons debate last night. During the course of the debate which covered all aspects of the Labour Ministry's work, particular attention was directed to developments calculated to stimulate trade and employment.—Reuter.

Repeal Of Undistributed Profits Tax In U. S.

WASHINGTON: March 24.

The Senate Finance Committee has voted for the repeal of undistributed profits tax in favour of 18 per cent. flat Corporation tax.—Reuter.

Priest Becomes Premier

Lithuanian Cabinet Resignation Accepted

KAUNAS, March 25.

The President has accepted the resignation of the cabinet.

A new provisional cabinet has been formed under Father Mironas, the chaplain of the army. No change has occurred in the existing regime. All ministers are members of the Government Party, thus avoiding any coalition.—Reuter.

REFUGEES FROM AUSTRIA & GERMANY

Cordell Hull Proposes Formation Of International Committee

WASHINGTON, March 24.

Mr. Cordell Hull has proposed the establishment of a special international committee to get political refugees out of Germany and Austria.

This suggestion was made in telegrams despatched from the State Department to nine European Governments, including the British Government and every country of Latin America.

Under Mr. Cordell Hull's plan the cost of transporting the refugees will be borne by private organisations in every country which agreed to receive them.

An official communique says that the United States Government was taking this action owing to the "necessity for a speedy co-operative effort under Government supervision if widespread human suffering is to be averted." The European countries to which telegrams have been sent are England, France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Switzerland and Italy.

No country will be asked to receive more refugees than permitted by its present laws.—Reuter.

Blum To Resign

PARIS, March 24.

In view of the Senate's rejection of a portion of the second Finance Bill, it is believed that M. Blum will meet the Chamber tomorrow to make sure that the first bill becomes law and then resign.—Reuter.

BLUM CHANGES TACTICS

Will Battle With Senate Instead Of Resigning

PARIS: March 25.

The hope that the Government crisis will not materialise was raised in the evening when there were indications of the determination of Governmental majority circles not to yield to what is described as the "Senate's attempted blackmail."

According to reliable sources M. Blum now does not intend to resign but will engage in battle with the Senate on the second financial bill already passed in the Chamber.—Reuter.

FRANCE PREPARES FOR WAR

PARIS, March 24.

The Chamber has unanimously passed a bill for the organisation of the nation during the time of war.—Reuter.

ESCALATOR CLAUSE TO BE INVOKED

LONDON, March 24.

It is understood that Britain as well as the United States have decided to invoke the Escalator Clause of the London Naval Treaty in the face of Japan's refusal to furnish details of her naval building programme.—Reuter.

MANY ARRESTED PERSONS RELEASED IN VIENNA

VIENNA, March 24.

Many arrested persons are reported to have been released including Dr. Neuman, ear specialist, who attended on the Duke of Windsor.—Reuter.

GREETINGS TO "THE CHRONICLE".

Mr. Kanhaiyalal D. Vaidya writes:—

I on behalf of the Central India States' people extend our warmest greetings to the proprietors of the "Bombay Chronicle" on the occasion of its Silver Jubilee celebration and wish them every success on its future conduct.

Mr. S. A. Brelvi, through "Chronicle" Mr. B. G. Horniman through "Sentinel" and Mr. Sorabji Kapadia through "Samachar" have always extended their sympathy with the Central India States' subjects (the Ghulam's Ghulam) and helped them in marching towards the goal of responsible Government through the columns of these journals and they hope the same help would be continued in future too.

It is almost needless for the Central India people to state that Messrs. Muncherji Nusserwanji Cama and Mr. T. R. N. Cama by their personal efforts have given great stability to these three concerns and raised their prestige by putting them on sound basis, I can assure you at this juncture that the Central India people would always sympathise with their efforts to make them complete success.

NAGPUR EDITOR'S CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. V. S. Venkataraman, Editor "Daily News" Nagpur writes:—

I have received a copy of the Jubilee Number and I warmly congratulate you on it. The many messages you have published from Journalists and leaders of public opinion all over India bear eloquent testimony to the manifold services rendered by the "Chronicle" to the cause of our country during the last 25 years of its existence. You have been associated with the paper from its very commencement. As a brother journalist who has been reading your paper for many years, I can say with confidence that though you have been a fearless critic of men and things, you have always been a fair critic and you have never hit any one below the belt.

May the "Chronicle" live long and gloriously to serve the cause of our motherland.

TRUTH ABOUT WAZIRISTAN

That British diplomacy in Waziristan to curb the enthusiasm of 3 lakhs of people in their struggle for self-determination had patently failed was the opinion expressed by Lala Mangalsen, a prominent Khudai Khidmatgar of N.-W. F. P. and the Secretary of the Hindu-Muslim Unity Board, at a public meeting held at Jinnah Hall on Friday. Mr. S. K. Patil presided.

(DETAILS IN OUR NEXT-ISSUE)

BRITAIN'S CHARGE AGAINST REBELS

GIBRALTAR, March 25.

British Agent at Salamanca has been instructed to inform the Nationalist Government that Britain holds it responsible for the sinking of the British steamer "Endymion" on February 1 and reserve the right to claim compensation.—Reuter.

100 REBEL 'PLANES ENGAGED IN AIR BATTLE

BARCELONA, March 24.

Over a hundred rebel 'planes were engaged in an air battle on the Aragon front according to a Republican communique which admits that the result was "not favourable to us" owing to the numerical superiority of insurgent air force.

Two Republican 'planes collided, the pilots landing safely by parachute while four other 'planes were shot down. The communique concedes that rebel pressure on the Aragon front has intensified.—Reuter.

BERLIN FOREIGN OFFICE SATISFIED?

BERLIN, March 25.

The "Diplomatiche Korrespondent", the organ of the Foreign Office commenting on Mr. Chamberlain's speech declares it contains nothing essentially new. "Every permanent settlement was based on peace. He was expressed an idea we could wholeheartedly endorsed".—Reuter.

Dr. H. Neumann Released

VIENNA, March 25.

Dr. Heinrich Neumann has been released.—Reuter.

Jamnadas Mehta Cuts Sorry Figure In Bombay Assembly

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forested a few years ago. He would therefore hesitate to consider any suggestion for deforesting of lands. At the same time there were some small plots of land in the forest areas and they could be deforested. But at present it was not possible to earmark what lands exactly could be deforested.

The present conditions of the Harijans were mainly due to economic factors and with the improvement of their economic conditions, their social status would also improve. Therefore he could not consider the suggestion that because they were socially backward they should be given lands.

Sir Ali Mahomed Khan Dehlavi said that in 1925 an enquiry was made to find out the extent of land that could be deforestised and could be brought under control. He did not know what was the result. He suggested to Government that a conclusion should be arrived at in this matter early.

After the mover had replied, Mr. Morarji Desai summing up the debate said that he had already gone into the question as to how much land could be deforestised and was awaiting the conclusion of these enquiries.

The Minister concluded by saying that unless social workers took notice of orders issued by Government from time to time, no benefit could be got by the villagers. Publicity given to these orders by the beat of drum was likely to be misunderstood.

The demand was granted.

The Hon'ble Mr. Morarji R. Desai, Revenue Minister, presented a demand for a grant of Rs. 60,14,000 under the head, Land Revenue.

Mr. S. H. Jhabvala moved a token cut to discuss the insufficiency of pay for the inferior staff.

INCREASED PEONS' PAY

Mr. Jhabvala said that recently when he led a deputation to the Prime Minister, the Prime Minister was pleased to concede that the pay of the peons in Bombay should be raised.

Mr. B. G. Kher pointed out that when the deputation met him, he told them that it was his view that the peons should get more pay. Even now that was his view. But he made it clear that whether the pay could be raised now or not was a matter for the Finance Department, and he did not commit Government one way or the other.

Mr. Jhabvala continued that the Prime Minister was of the view that the pay of the peons should be more.

The Hon. Mr. Kher:—Even now I am of that view (laughter).

Mr. Jhabvala observed that the conviction of the Prime Minister on this point, was itself enough to support his case. He hoped that the Revenue Minister would see his way to increase the pay of inferior staff in his Department.

The Hon. Mr. Morarji R. Desai, Revenue Minister, replied that he too was of the view that not only the inferior staff but every one in this country should get more money. Their income should be raised by 100 or 200 per cent. That is why in whatever Government were doing to raise the standard of income, he expected the member to co-operate.

The cut motion was lost.

REDUCE REVISED ASSESSMENT

Mr. G. K. Phadke moved a token cut motion to raise the question of the necessity of permanently reducing the revised assessment of the five Talukas of the Thana District. He said that the second revised assessment for these Talukas was made in the year 1924 when the prices of all commodities had gone high. Government had said that they had provided five lakhs for remissions, he wanted to know which were the fortunate Talukas which would receive that amount. He urged that the assessment should be reduced as they acted as a hardship.

Mr. Desai said that demands for the reduction of assessment were made ever since it was increased. Government could not look into the matter, as Thana was not the only district which made representations to this effect, but there were other districts also. Before Government looked into the whole question, it was not possible for them to remove the enchantment. They had to see what the maximum limit of assessment. After this a Bill would be presented to the House next session to amend the Land Revenue Code.

The cut motion was lost.

Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta moved a token cut in the demand of Rs. 60,14,000 to discuss "profiteering by Government in the rate of interest charged to cultivators".

It was particularly wrong to do so, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta continued, when they knew that Government servants were charged a less rate of interest. An amount of Rs. 1,95,000 was set aside to be given as loans to Government servants, for house-building, for the purchasing of motor-cars or other vehicles. To the best of his information, the interest on these loans was charged at 3-1/4 per cent. He would be glad to know exactly what rate of interest was being charged from the Government servants. Government should promise that they would not charge more interest from the poor cultivators than the market rate, or they might charge a little more for debt service.

CHARGED WITH PROFITTEERING

Mr. Desai replyng said he could not know how the mover could charge Government with profiteering. When he had taken up office, he found that his hands were already tied by Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, who in the previous Government held the portfolio of Finance and Revenue. It was easy for him then to have reduced to the extent that he wanted. He fixed two rates of interest on two sets of loans. On the first set he had fixed the rate at6-1/4 per cent., and on the second set, he had fixed the rate at 6-3/4 per Revenue Minister added that he reduced the rate in both the cases to 5-1/2 per cent. He was surprised that the cut motion should have been brought forward by the member.

FREQUENT INTERRUPTIONS.

When Mr. Jamnadas Mehta proceeded to reply, there were frequent interruptions in his speech culminating in a breeze with the Revenue Minister. His reference to his short-lived regime was the signal for ironical cheers and laughter from Government benches.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta said that it was a little hard on him that the Revenue Minister should have sought shelter behind what he had done in his regime of three months. But in the three months that were vouchsafed to him, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta continued, he had reduced the rate from 9 per cent. to about 8 per cent. If it could be worked out now that present Government were in office for many months, they would find that it could be further reduced.

The whole House including the Revenue Minister burst into laughter at this statement.

LAUGHING AT WHOM?

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta observed that they were laughing at the misery of the poor peasants.

The Revenue Minister:—I am not laughing at the misery of the peasants, I am laughing at you.

There was more laughing in the House.

By this time the member seemed to have been completely upset, and protested against the "flippancy" of the Ministers. He said that he had put up with it for some time, but this could not go on for ever.

The Revenue Minister in his reply said that sympathy for the misery of the poor was not the monopoly of only one member of the House. He had greater sympathy for the poor. If he enjoyed at the speech of the member, it was not because he wanted to laugh at the misery of the poor. But he certainly laughed at what the member had said and in fact, his speech provoked the whole House to laughter. The argument advanced by him was so novel and surprising that it made everyone in the House laugh.

HIS OWN LEGACY.

The Revenue Minister added that Government were paying interest at the rate of 4, 5, and 6 per cent., on their Rs. 224 crores of borrowings. They were not borrowing anything from the market at present, but they were financing the loans from the past borrowings which were at a higher rate of interest. If the member Mr. Jamnadas Mehta was chafing at his own discomfiture, the Minister said, he could not help it. This was a legacy left by the member himself to him. He had accepted the same arguments which Mr. Jamnadas Mehta had accepted in fixing the rates of interest 6 1/4 and 6 3/4 per cent.

The cut motion was pressed to division and was lost 75 voting for and 27 against.

Mr. S. V. Parulekar moved a token cut to discuss the question of measures to be taken for bringing under cultivation private waste lands. He said that there were thirty million acres of land under cultivation in the Presidency and of that ten millions were allowed to lie waste by private landlords.

Continuing Mr. Parulekar urged that it was the duty of the state to bring pressure on those landlords to bring these lands under cultivation. He suggested that if private landlords refused to cultivate these lands, Government should buy up those lands and distribute them among the thirty lakhs of agricultural labourers, who could thus be sure of one meal a day at least. If the Government accepted the suggestion and worked on it, the speaker promised support from every section of the House.

Mr. D. W. Raut supported the cut motion.

"CAUSE OF MISERY."

Mr. R. R. Bhole suggested that these private owners who allowed their land to lie waste should be assessed as they deserved, because they were the cause of the misery in the province.

Rao Bahadur Ghitale said that it had been found out after investigation that waste lands could not be brought under cultivation unless Rs. 150 were spent per acre per season. He did not believe that there were ten million acres of land which could be cultivated and which were lying waste.

Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai said that he could not get the Report, in which it was stated figures could be found to justify the statement of the mover of the cut that one crore of acres of cultivable lands were lying waste. From the Report that he could obtain, which referred to the state of affairs just before the separation of Sind and hence contained figures regarding Sind also, where a large tracts lay waste, it was found that the total Government occupied land was 2,40,-00,000 acres. In this there could not be much of land lying waste. Alienated land came to 78 lakhs of acres and there could not be more than 10 lakhs of acres of land allowed to lie waste.

Thus even taking the biggest figure, he could not arrive at the figure stated by the mover of the cut. He could not be asked to work on a mirage. He was not prepared to do that. He was prepared to work on facts placed before him and publicly acknowledge his debt to the member who made the suggestion. He knew that there were large tracts of waste land in Thana District, in Ratnagiri, Bijapur and other districts. But he wondered if people would be prepared to go and settle down in these places, because the lands were worthless.

Mr. S. V. Parulekar said that he would be satisfied if the Minister agreed to the principle that the private landlords should be coerced to cultivate the lands lying waste.

Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai stated that he was certainly prepared to tackle the problem, if he was shown a legal way to coerce.

The cut motion was withdrawn.

Mr. S. H. Jhabvala moved a cut motion to discuss the Land Revenue Policy of the Government of Bombay, when there was only two minutes left for the Speaker to apply the guillotine. He said "Land Revenue Policy of the Government is bad" and sat down.

The cut motion was put to vote and was lost by a large majority.

ALL DEMANDS GRANTED

The demands for grants were passed by the House under guillotine.

The Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, Home Minister, made a demand of Rs. 46,76,000 under the head Administration of Justice. The demand was passed. He presented a demand of Rs. 15,33,000 under the head Jails and Convict Settlements. A division was demanded on this grant and the result was that 80 voted for and 19 against.

The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier, made a demand of Rs. 1,84,22,000 under the head, Education. A division was asked for and it resulted in 77 voting for and 33 against.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Public Health, presented a demand of Rs. 30,94,606 under the head, Medical and the grant was made.

The Hon. Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Industries, presented a demand of Rs. 10,92,000 under the head, Industries. A division showed that 75 voted for and 33 against.

After several other demands were presented and granted, the House adjourned till 10-30 to-day (Saturday).

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Grigg To Go On Another Pilgrimage

ASSEMBLY REFUSES TO BE FLOUTED

Cowasji Supports Congress Cut: Income-Tax Adviser's Salary Voted Down

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

NEW DELHI: March 25.

One more shock to Sir James Grigg was furnished by to-day's vote of the Assembly on the Supplementary Demands by the throwing out of the additional expenditure involved in appointing Mr. S. P. Chambers as Income-tax Adviser.

No Flouting Of Assembly

Mr. Avinashilingam Chetty, who moved the cut, took his stand on the ground that, as the appointment was made in glaring violation of the wishes of the House, as expressed in the adjournment motion passed last year at Simla, the House could not be expected to pass the grant.

Cowasji's Plain Speaking

STRONG SUPPORT CAME FROM SIR COWASJI JEHANGIR, WHO ALSO DECLARED THAT, AS THE APPOINTMENT WAS MADE DESPITE THE WISHES OF THE HOUSE, THEY COULD NOT AGREE TO VOTE THE DEMAND.

Attendance on the Opposition Benches was thin, but as this was a matter on which all the elected members thought alike, the Congress Party was able to get its cut carried by a majority of three votes.

ANOTHER PILGRIMAGE FOR GRIGG.

SO, ONCE AGAIN, SIR JAMES GRIGG HAS TO GO TO THE VICEROY'S HOUSE TO GET THE GRANT RESTORED.

ATTACK ON INFORMATION BUREAU

NEW DELHI: Masch 25.

Measures for safety in the building industry were discussed in the Assembly to-day on a resolution moved by Mr. A. G. Clow, Secreatry, Labour Department.

The resolution ran:

"This Assembly having considered the Draft Convention and recommendations relating to safety in the Building Industry, adopted at the 23rd session of the International Labour Conference recommends to the Governor-General-in-Council.

(a) That Provincial Governments be consulted regarding the desirability and practicability of legislation to secure greater safety for workers in the Building Industry, and

(b) That their attention be drawn to the recommendations concerning co-operation in accident prevention and vocational education."

Mr. Clow referred to the comparative absence of hazard in the great bulk of building operations in India, where the great majority of buildings consisted of humble cottages.

JOSHI'S CHARGE.

Mr. Santanam moved an amendment to the effect that consultation with the Provinces should be limited to legislation for safety of the Building Industry in Municipal areas.

Mr. Joshi moved an amendment to the effect that after consultation with Provinces, the Government should place their decision before the Assembly as soon as practicable.

Mr. Joshi declared that Government of India were showing a sort of hostility towards the International Labour Office and were slow and reluctant to ratify its Conventions. In this case the Government of India were taking nearly a year to consult the Provinces after the Convention had been passed.

Sir Cowasji Jehangir declared that risks in the building operations in India were negligible and the Convention had no application.

Mr. J.D. Boyle did not think that the resolution would improve the condition of workers. He criticised the Government's policy of adopting "the most harmless" of International Conventions and leaving out the more important ones.

Mr. Hussainbhai Laljl referred to rules for safety, which Municipalities already had, but said he recognised that buildings constructed outside Municipal areas had to be covered. He however, cautioned the Government to see that the safety measures did not adversely affect the industry.

Seth Govindas heartily supporting the resolution disagreed that the number of accidents in Building Industry in India were small.

LEGISLATE IN ADVANCE

Prof. Ranga said the Building Industry was a fast growing one. using modern appliances and methods, involving more and more risk and employing no less than 6,90,000 workers. It was no use waiting till the people affected asked for safety measures.

Mr. Gadgil declared that the convention whereby the House had the privilege of discussing every International Convention, whether it was ratified or not, had been broken. He strongly objected to it. He, however, supported the Convention embodied in the resolution, pointing out that the way of wisdom was to legislate in advance of developments.

Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar pointed out that the Provincial Governments might be reluctant to undertake the application of safety rules over a whole Province. It would, therefore, have been better to limit their application to Municipal areas, where the rules could be enforced through the existing staff. He asked that the Government of India should introduce the safety measures in areas directly under their control.

RESOLUTION PASSED

Mr. A. G. Clow in reply accepted Mr. Joshi's amendment but the Government could not promise that Government would move a resolution in a negative sense. It would be for members of the House if they were dissatisfied with the Government's decision to take such action as appeared appropriate to them.

The resolution as amended was passed.

REWARD FOR DETECTION

The House took up demands for supplementary grants for 1937-38.

Under the demand moved by Sir James Grigg for Rs. 1,30,000 in respect of Customs, Mr. Avinashilingam Chettiar asked for information regarding the ratio of payment of rewards to Customs staff for detection of smuggling.

Mr. Lloyd said that rewards generally speaking were given up to an amount not exceeding half of what is realised by Government in the way of penalties or sale of confiscated goods but not the duty.

Prof. Ranga asked why this "Pernicious system" of rewards should be continued in addition to the salaries, which the staff received.

Mr. Lloyd suggested that this was a point for discussion not on the demand for a supplementary grant but when the original demand was before the House.

Prof. Ranga asked how much was rewarded to the staff, when diamonds were detected in Bombay recently.

Mr. Lloyd stated the awards had not yet been made.

The demand was passed.

CHARGE AGAINST GOVERNMENT

On the demand in respect of taxes on income including Corporation Tax amounting to Rs. 70,000, Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar pointed out that the sum spent by the Government on lawyers in the course of Income-tax litigation should have been brought before the Standing Finance Committee. In this connection he asked why the Government were putting off the constitution of the Committee.

Sir James Grigg explained the amount fell outside the scope of the Standing Finance Committee, even when it was in existence, and added that the responsibility for not setting up the Committee rested upon the House and not upon him.

The demand was passed.

INFORMATION DEPT. UNDER FIRE

A vigorous debate on the Public Information Department developed on the demand under the Home Department amounting to Rs. 54,000.

Mr. Avinashilingham Chettiar moving a cut of Rs. 32,000 condemned the employment of additional staff and recruitment of a Director of Public Information, etc. He questioned the need for a Department of Public Information and declared that with the abolition of the Government of India's annual report and with the introduction of Provincial Autonomy, the Bureau had no work. He criticised the method of recruitment to the Bureau and complained that Englishmen were appointed, when efficient Indians were available. He also ridiculed the "information series" issued by the Bureau.

Mr. Asaf Ali supporting the cut referred to the declared object of the Bureau, namely making known Government's work in all spheres of Administration. Yet when the Speaker applied to the Bureau for certain information, the Bureau refused to supply it.

The Standing Finance Committee in February, 1936, turned down the scheme for expansion of the Bureau, and yet Government had proceeded to give effect to the scheme.

RANGA'S ATTACK

Prof. Ranga declared that the Bureau had constituted itself into a "compulsory school for journalists in Delhi and Simla" and the officers were wasting their own time and the time of the journalists, who knew their work and had been doing it, without the assistance of the Bureau for a long time. He alleged that the Bureau had been the cause of disunity among the journalists. Many of the things circulated by the Bureau, including the Information Series were useless to the journalists. He complained that the information series published only Viceroy's speeches and the speeches of Government Members but not of the Leader of the Opposition or of other parties. He condemned the "scandalous" habit of officers of the Bureau taking leave and writing to papers and getting paid for it.

Sir Ziauddin said he always got the information he wanted from the Bureau. It all depended upon the kind of information required. He did not know what there was "scandalous" in any one getting paid for extra work he did by way of special contribution, while on leave. He stressed the need for strengthening the Bureau by centralising the publicity activities of all Departments of the Government, including the Railway.

CRAIK-RANGA BRUSH

Sir Henry Craik, Home Member, in a spirited defence of the Bureau said the three speakers, who had spoken against it, showed a singular lack of knowledge of the Bureau's functions and singular lack of imagination in attempting to picture its relations with the Press. Sir Henry said the present Director of Public Information was a journalist of many years' experience and excellently qualified to know what information journalists wanted, in what form and at what moment. If it were true that he was "muzzling" the Press, as one speaker alleged then it was astonishing how since his appointment the number of Pressmen attached to the headquarters of the Government of India had increased and how much greater use they were making of the Bureau.

As regards the complaint of Mr. Asaf Ali, Sir Henry said the Bureau was not a Statistical Library and could not be expected to give information such as Mr. Asaf Ali wanted, regarding the number of people employed in the Public Administration in India.

He declared it was unfair to hurl reckless charges across the floor of the House. He challenged Prof. Ranga to name any officer, who contributed articles and made money, as he alleged, or to give specific instances of favouritism, which he had alleged. If Prof. Ranga could not do so he ought to withdraw the allegations.

Prof. Ranga said he wanted notice just as Government wanted notice on many questions put by the Opposition (Laughter).

Sir Henry said if an honourable member made an allegation and when he was unable to substantiate it refused to withdraw it, he had a standard of honour different from the speakers own.

A voice: Will you appoint a Committee of Inquiry?

NOT FOR OPPOSITION

Referring to the Information Series, Sir Henry said it had a circulation now of 2,000 and every newspaper in India got it and was glad to get it. What that publication attempted to do was to supply the Press with a continuous, accurate and impartial presentation of Government's activities and could not naturally publish the speeches of the Opposition.

The cut was rejected and the demand was passed.

FLOUTING OF ASSEMBLY

The appointment of the Income-Tax Adviser was criticised in the course of the debate on a cut moved by Mr. Avinashilingam Chettiar under the demand in respect of the Central Board of Revenue. Mr. Chettiar wanted to know for what period the Special Income-Tax Adviser had been appointed, whether he was member of the Board of Revenue and what were the duties he was doing.

Sir James Grigg said the Duties of the officer were exactly described by the term Income-Tax Adviser. He was not a member of the Board of Revenue. He had been appointed for a period of three years and his main functions were in connection with the forthcoming Income-Tax Amendment Bill.

Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar supporting the cut pointed out that the Assembly in Simla carried an adjournment motion against the appointment of the Income-Tax Adviser and in spite of that the Government had made the appointment and were now coming forward with the demand for his salary. Appointments like this were at first given out to be for a few months and then the few months passed into years—three years in the present case. The House could not agree to the demand after having passed the adjournment motion against the appointment.

WITHHOLD GRANT

Sir Cowasji Jehangir declared since the officer was appointed, notwithstanding the definite expression of opinion of the House against it, it was only natural that any part of this officer's salary could not be sanctioned by the House. If the House voted against the appointment, whether rightly or wrongly, Government ought to have submitted to that opinion.

The cut was pressed to a division and passed by 48 votes to 45.

OUTSTANDING BILLS

Before the House adjourned till Monday Sir N. N. Sircar said the official business outstanding consisted of the remaining supplementary demands, the Sugar Protection Bill, the Workmen's Compensation Act Amendment Bill, as amended by the Council of State, the Sind Salt Law Amendment Bill and the Coffee Cess Amendment Bill.—A.P.

Ex-GOVERNOR CHALLENGED

M. L. A.s Reply To Talk Of Fall Of C. P. Ministry

NAGPUR, March 25.

Five adjournment motions, notices of which had been received, were disallowed in the Central Provinces Legislative Assembly today.

The Speaker held two of these relating to the release of certain Muslim convicts were not of urgent public importance.

As regards three motions, which related to the release of Zaffar Hussain, while agreeing that the matter was of public importance, he held that it lacked urgency, as it could have been raised at an earlier date. The Speaker quoted in support of this a ruling of the late Vithalbhai Patel.

EX-GOVERNOR CHALLENGED

Dr. E. Raghavendra Rao (Opposition) suggested that in view of the importance of the subject a special day must be allotted for its discussion. He said it might lead to the resignation or dismissal of the Ministry or the dissolution of the Assembly.

(Several voices from the Treasury Benches: Move a note of "no-confidence". We are prepared to face it.)

The Premier opposed leave being given for the motion.

The Speaker disallowed it.

A sixth adjournment motion to discuss the "exclusion of Muslims of this Province from the "Syllabus Committee" fell through for want of support.—A.P.

ERADICATION OF PROSTITUTION

Chief Justice On Responsibility Of Landlords

That the Bombay Vigilance Association should direct its attack against commercialised vice and hit on the unfortunate prostitute was the feelingful advice given by the Chief Justice of Bombay, while speaking at the 15th annual meeting of the Association on Friday at the Secretariat Buildings. The meeting was presided over by Sir Phiroze Sethna.

The Chief Justice said that the profession should be localised and licensed and stressed the need of registration and medical inspection of the unfortunates so that venereal disease might not spread.

Sir Beaumont was of the opinion that prostitution, one of the oldest professions, was very difficult of eradication. He could not conceive of such a time in the present society when the pimp and the bully were to be stamped out.

LANDLORDS GET RICH

The landlord, who was greatly responsible, was to be circumvented through a proper definition of the word "brothel". A singleroom, partitioned into cubicles with separate rent-receipts for each cubicle without any amenities or self-sufficiency thereof was the system adopted, by landlords who reaped naturally a rich harvest. Such cubicles should not be construed as single-room tenements.

The Association's work of succour he said, was commendable.

Sir Phiroze Sethna, the president of the Association was elected again for the current year also. He on the whole agreed with the Chief Justice's views and thanked him for the sound advice preferred by him. He hoped, with sympathetic consideration from the Home Department, the Association would do better. He also appealed to the generous support of the public to the cause of the Association and wished that public opinion would assert itself by eradicating the evil.

Mrs. Blackwell, Rao Bahadur B. N. Athavale and Mr. R. P. Masani were elected as Vice-Presidents and Joseph Callan and Mr. Phiroze J. Shroff as Joint Secretaries.

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(From A Correspondent.)

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MADRAS GOVT.'S EXAMPLE

Bombay M. L. A.s' Appeal To Premier To Release 13 Sholapur Politicals

About twenty members of the Bombay Legislative Assembly including Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, R. A. Khedgikar and S. V. Parulekar have addressed a letter to the Hon Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, Government of Bombay requesting him to release the thirteen prisoners convicted at Sholapur recently in connection with the events that happened on the Political Prisoners' Release Day.

The signatories say "You must have heard by now that the thirteen accused at Sholapur who were being prosecuted as a result of certain events that happened in connection with the Political Prisoners' Release Day have been sentenced to various terms of imprisonment. Whatever view one takes of the prosecution, there can be no gainsaying the fact that the example set by the Madras Ministry in releasing Mr. Batlivala is worth emulating and calculated to lead to better results".

They add "We have therefore to request you to remit the sentences passed by the magistrate on these political workers and restore them to liberty. The use of discretion vested in you under Section 401 Criminal Procedure Code would be quite justified in this case and it would be appreciated on all hands".

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OUR READERS' VIEWS

Rent Restrictions Bill

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Mr. S. C. Joshi's Rent Restrictions Bill is due to come for consideration very shortly before the Bombay Legislative Council. In this connection, readers will be well aware of the number of meetings held in the different parts of the City in strong support of the Bill, as well as of the reports of meetings in the suburbs of Bombay and Ahmedabad, which supported this kind of legislation, that appeared in the newspapers. The Bombay meetings ended, if one may say so, with the mammoth meeting held on the Chowpatty Sands on Sunday the 6th March, at which enthusiastic speeches were made in support of the bill, not only by the scheduled speakers, some of whom had to be dropped due to the desire to make room for a few members from the spectators and the audience who were no less enthusiastic and eager to have their say in the matter. If the above is any index to the authorities to the desire, they should not hesitate in giving their support, as urged at several meetings, to the principle underlying the bill, leaving the details to be decided by the Select Committee or any other body, instead of scotching it at very first stage, which fate many fear the bill may be made to meet, having regard to the reception given to the other bills brought in by private members before the Assembly!

Many are asking: Are the Government in favour of the Bill? If so, why is it that they have not, upto now indicated their sympathy in some concrete form or the other? What does their sphinx-like silence forebode? Are they opposed to the principles of the bill? If so, why? It is said that the Government are willing to have some bill to give relief to the tenants, but that they do not agree to the details contained in any of the two bills that are now before the legislatures. If this be really so, there is nothing to prevent them to indicate in what respects the bill needs amendments, additions, alterations or improving, so that the same might be incorporated in the proper place in the bill. It may also confidently be asserted that the sponsors of either of the two bills now before the legislatures, will be the first and foremost to welcome, accept and adopt any suggestions for improvement of their bills. In fact, the writer knows full well that Mr. Joshi has on various occasions at public meetings themselves, avowed that he would gladly welcome suggestions from all quarters. He has also stated that he gave notice of his bill only after waiting for about 6 months and finding that there was no sign on the part of the present Government to move in that direction, and that if he did not do so, the purpose for which the Bombay Tenants' Association had been brought into existence, viz. seeing that the grievances of the tenants in various respects were got redressed, would have been frustrated, particularly when it was remembered that the high rents prevailing in several parts of the city at present and several other factors mentioned in the bill required to be regulated, redressed and otherwise attended to. There was considerable correspondence published in the newspapers on the eve of the special session of the Bombay Legislatures, urging them to include this piece of legislation also in their scheduled list, but for one reason or the other, it was not to be. The tenants had entertained high hopes about the Congress Government doing many things which would alleviate the middle and poor class distress. The reduction of rents in cities like Bombay and Ahmedabad specially was one of them. If this relief be unduly delayed, on any grounds whatever it would amongst practically to the denial of it rather than otherwise.

It will not be out of place to mention in this connection, that, even in a flourishing and prosperous country like England, what was expected to be purely a war-time measure, viz. Rent Restrictions Act, still remains in force in this year of grace 1938, after its being extended from time to time. In a City like Bombay where conditions are no better but are only worse than they are in England, it is absurd to suggest, as it has been in some interested quarters, that there is no need for a rent regulating legislation. The one-sided figures and facts quoted and sought to be brought out in the newspapers, as a scare and deterrent, could easily be met at the proper time and place. In fact, all these adverse criticisms and so-called sound theories could have been easily met, if only Mr. Bakhale's Bill which was scotched in its very first reading, had gone to the Select Committee. I am sanguine that if Mr. Joshi's or Mr. Ali Bahadur Khan's Bill—the former is better drafted and more commendable, goes to the Select Committee, all the material necessary to justify the Bill and explode the theories advanced from the interested quarters will be available and forthcoming.—Yours etc.,

R. S. PRABHU.

POINTS FROM LETTERS

Konkan Line Steamers

S. K. B. requests the authorities concerned to make arrangements for proper medical help on steamers running on the Konkan coast.

Plea For Biochemists

V. B. NAIK hopes, in view of the increasing popularity of the science of biochemistry, that the Hon. Minister for Public Health will be good enough to include the biochemic medical practitioners, in the Medical Practitioners' Bill which is placed before the Bombay Legislative Assembly.

Sweepers In Worli Chawls

"WORLIWALLA" protests against the unfair practice followed in the Worli Chawls of charging double rent to Bhangi families if both husband and wife are employed in the Development Department. He requests the authorities to extend to those poorly paid sweepers the same facilities regarding rent which are provided for the superior staff.

Primary Education Control

A. N. SITOLE protests against the proposal to invest the Government with more powers of control in the field of primary education from the hands of the Local Boards, as being undemocratic.

Competitive Examination

DR. M. R. LODHI objects to the age limit proposed for the competitive examination for Government service (17-21) as being too low. Secondly he considers the rule "failure at an examination will constitute a final bar" to be too drastic.

Segregation Of Lepers

DR. M. R. LODHI draws the attention of the Health Minister to the widespread prevalence of leprosy in this presidency, and requests him to take strict measures for their segregation in Leper Asylums, as their unrestricted movements are most dangerous to society.

South Indians In Bombay

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Madrasis in Bombay; how do they live, what are their habits, what is it that make them compete successfully with other communities in Bombay? These are questions which legitimately enter the minds of all who take even a casual ramble in that remarkable South Indian colony of Bombay-Matunga, and recently, Dadar-Matunga Estate.

In the countless business houses of Bombay, there are Madrasis working in close contact with all the other communities and more often than not the sacred seat behind the typewriter is occupied by the gentlemen from the South. If not a steno-typist, he is sure an accountant and as observed by many a prominent gentleman, Madrasis make the best stenographers and accountants.

What is the secret of their success? It is not any extra education or super-intelligence; for, they are in no way superior to their Bombay brethren educationally or intellectually. Encouragement they naturally receive from the South Indian community in Bombay, but neither this encouragement nor their education can help them much in the absence of the one distinguishing quality, which is, perhaps, exclusively that of the Madrasis', viz., a great aptitude for any kind of tough or intricate work and a grim determination to win at all costs. He is not afraid of drawbacks, either natural or otherwise. Language difficulties do not trouble him. Inexperience only finds him doubly cautious and determined to compete with the experienced. It is always this effort at surmounting the unsurmountable, a fighting the grim battle of life with the one object of success that assures for the Madrasi a good place wherever he goes.

It is curious to observe how a beardless young boy, fresh from school, who has hardly had any opportunity of observing the world outside his native village, and whose qualification and experience, barring general education at the school, amount to only a few days' rattling at the typewriter or a few months' practice at reporting, travels a thousand miles, mingles himself among utterly strange people and wins his bread in a city where unemployment is rampant. A friend in Bombay, or it may be a near or distant relative, gives him hospitality which he accepts as a matter of course for a few days though he likes to stand on his own legs. Two days after his arrival, he alights from the suburban train at V. T. a fresh man with bare, closely combed head, a clean shaven face, a four-anna Japanese tie nicely hanging down the front of his rather old-fashioned shirt and a new pair of trousers adorning his short legs, which ere now, were covered by a dhoti in that typically Madrasi fashion called 'longi.' A new atmosphere surrounds him and he is no more the care-free naughty student of Palghat or Trichy or Trichur but a young man worried over his employment problem. The novelty of his dress prompts him to stroke his tie, and tuck his pants too often, but neither these prattlings, nor the curious figure he cuts in the midst of a sophisticated crowd, annoy him, and he takes his course along Hornby Road or Ballard Estate. Casual acquaintance in the form of his own fellow-villagers, or remote relatives accost him here and there, and in a tactical way he advertises his advent in Bombay. With a forwardness which is amazing in a novice, he misses no opportunity of taking trials, for "a trial costs nothing" and ere long, his strategy wins, and is appointed a junior typist in an office. Now salary is of no consequence to him, he cares only for experience and a good certificate from a Bombay boss. Nor does this initial success find him contented or inactive, for any leisure he gets is devoted to the improvement of his shorthand, or extra study; he makes more friends, is informed of periodical vacancies, taken more trials and slowly but steadily progresses in his position.

No obstacle is too great for him to reach success. Steady and honest work, and a determination to make the best use of himself to his boss earns for him a place in any office he enters. Ill-treatment, lack of proper amenities or late or arduous hours of work, do not deter him from serving any office; the average Madrasi clings leech-like to an employer so long as he finds some future prospects, failing which he loses no time to secure another job more attractive and then the boss is somehow intimidated to accept his abrupt resignation. Proper treatment and appreciation of work find him equally responsive and he does not leave the job even at the risk of hard work, and consequent failure of health. At all times the service he renders is conscientious and beyond reproach. So much about his efforts to secure a suitable job.

Neither is he lacking in his shouldering the responsibilities of a useful citizen. Either in social or political activities he never lags behind and is as responsive as any other communities in Bombay, and it is no exaggeration to say that South Indians do occupy a prominent place, among the worthy citizens who have made this little island of Bombay what it is which must indeed be a source of great satisfaction to all South Indians.

Madrasis in Bombay have got their own social and religious institutions for the welfare of the community and the chief among them are the South Indian Association, Mysore Association, South Indian Education School, South Indian Co-operative Stores, South Indian Concerns, Madrassee Co-operative Hostel Society, Asthika Samaj, South Indian Bhajana Samaj, Shree Ramchandra Bhajana Samaj and South Indian Sangeetha Sabha and several others, which are well organised and which really contribute a lot to the welfare of the South Indian community in general.—Yours, etc.,

I. J. K.

Shastras And Anti-Untouchability

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The Sanatanists' main objection to the admission of Harijans into the temples is from the point of view of the teachings of the Shastras.

But let them pay heed to what the great leader and Shastric scholar Dr. Kurtkoti has said about untouchability and the Shastras. Said he: "I could find no sanction at all in the Shastras about the practice of untouchability. While reading the ancient works, I was greatly struck by the story of Shri Ram partaking of the fruit which his devotee Shabari the "untouchable" girl had preserved for him after ensuring that it was the best of the lot by herself biting off a bit. The Shastras preach liberty, equality and fraternity suitable to all times and climes and the preachings can stand the test of all modern scientific thought."—Yours, etc.,

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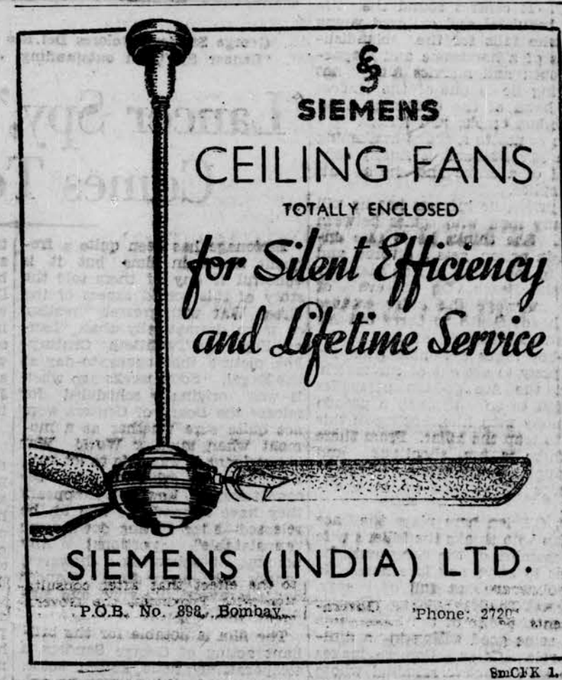

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About Films And Film Stars

AND NOW COMES HIS WIFE!

A New "Public Enemy" Picture, At Eros This Week

Yet another film of the "G. Men" type is the Warner Bros. production, "Public Enemy's Wife," which was released at the Eros Theatre yesterday for the first time locally.

In addition to the exciting episodes, there is a romance between the ace G-Man and the woman in the title role, the wife of a public enemy, although at the time she is the ex-wife.

The cast includes Pat O'Brien, Margaret Lindsay, Robert Armstrong, Cesar Romero, Dick Foran, Joseph King, Richard Purcell and Addison Richards in the feature roles.

The story by P. J. Wolfson is filled with the usual 'fire and dynamite". It centres round the life of a beautiful and cultured young girl who falls for the blandishments of a handsome and magnetic youth and marries him, not knowing he is one of the leaders of a band of the country's most dangerous crooks and killers.

She comes to a sharp awakening when her husband is finally convicted of a crime and she as his accomplice.

In prison he informs her he will kill any man who comes between them. She thinks he is safe enough in prison, gets a divorce, and falls in love with a rich play-boy at Palm Beach. On the eve of their marriage the killer escapes and heads South to carry out his threat. Learning of this, the play-boy fakes a tumble from his polo pony to get out of the match.

But the Ace G-Man persuades the girl to go through a pseudo ceremony with him, hoping in this way to trap the killer. From there on there is fun, shootings and kidnappings and other "thrilling" episodes which lead up to a climax.

Pat O'Brien here plays the ace G-Man who thinks the killer's wife is a member of the gang, until he begins to know and love her. He is cool, suave but full of energy. Margaret Lindsay plays opposite him as the wife of the killer. She does some good acting in a difficult role. Cesar Romero makes quite an attractive criminal whose surface polish is enough to attract a beautiful girl.

George Sanders, Dolores Del Rio and Joseph Schildkraut in "Lancer Spy", an outstanding espionage film, at Regal.

"Lancer Spy," Censored, Comes To Regal

Espionage has been quite a frequent theme in films but it is doubtful if any of them told the story of this sordid aspect of the Great War with greater realism or more dramatically than "Lancer Spy", the Twentieth Century-Fox picture that opens to-day at the Regal. Some weeks ago when it was originally scheduled for release the Board of Censors were not quite sure whether at a moment when another World War is imminent it was safe to let such a picture be exhibited. On second thoughts, however, it appears they have allowed the film to be released—after cutting down some "unpalatable" portions! Any amount of scissoring, however, cannot take away from "Lancer Spy" its essentially vivid and significant drama.

The film is notable for the brilliant acting of George Sanders, a comparatively little known actor, for whom big things may be anticipated in the future. His characterization of the British spy is both convincing and realistic. Dolores Del Rio as the whimsical woman spy, emotionally alternating between love and loyalty, is equally successful. Peter Lorre, well-known character actor, has a small but effective role while Joseph Schildkraut is most amusing in a lighter role.

THE STORY

With one chance in a thousand that he'll ever return, Sanders, a British naval officer, impersonates a captured German officer whom he resembles and crosses the lines on a mission of espionage and counter-espionage, with no rules except not to get caught and no loyalties or loves unless they can serve a purpose. To bolster up the morale of the Berlin citizenry depressed by some of the darkest hours of the war the General Staff make a hero out of Sanders and he is decorated by the Kaiser himself. The only suspicions are voiced by Sig Rumann who sends Dolores Del Rio to trap Sanders, and Peter Lorre, his aide. But thanks to a British spy, Sanders is able to fool his beautiful investigator, and she soon falls in love with him. It is only then that she discovers his identity but when this happens she is on his side. In a brilliant coup Sanders gets the information he wants and is about to escape when he is detected by Peter Lorre. Lorre however turns out to be a Swiss spy. The dramatic climax is reached when Sanders escapes but Del Rio pays the penalty of allowing love to interfere with duty, with her life.

Your Guide To This Week's Films

BROADWAY.—"Maid of Salem," starring Claudette Colbert. Good Poignant drama exposing callous superstitions. (Revival).

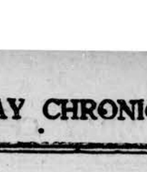
CAPITOL.—"Alcatraz Island," another variation of the G-Men picture, though crime is subordinated to romance.

EROS—"Public Enemy's Wife," featuring Pat O'Brien, Margaret Lindsay and Cesar Romero. Ordinary crime picture with some clever twists.

EXCELSIOR.—"Smash And Grab," starring Jack Buchanan with Elsie Randolph. Usual Buchanan comedy.

PATHE.—"Breakfast For Two," starring Barbara Stanwyck and Herbert Marshall. Amusing romantic comedy. May be recommended.

REGAL.—"Lancer Spy," starring Dolores Del Rio with George Sanders and Peter Lorre. Unusual and outstanding espionage film. Must be seen.



WELLINGTON.—"That Girl From Paris," starring Lily Pons and Jack Oakie. Good songs. (Revival).

Ann Sheridan and John Litel in a scene from "Alcatraz Island", a prison life drama at Capitol.

Why Not French And Russian Films?

The great success of the second run of "Les Miserables" at Pathe Cinema last week ought to make our cinema-owners sit up and think: why not more such films?

Week after week our picture houses are flooded with cheap American or British productions—crazy musicals, crude comedies, gangster films, pictures boosting the American Navy or the British Army and others that misrepresent and libel the non-White races.

It is true that now and then we have a "Life of Emile Zola" a "Good Earth," "They Won't Forget" or "The Dead End." But these realistic—and truly artistic—films are the exceptions rather than the rule. We need more of them.

And, above all, we must break away from the monotony of seeing only American and British pictures. "Les Miserables"—although the film was made several years ago and a very aged print was run at Pathe!—clearly shows how greatly advanced is the French film technique. And, we understand, still better films are being produced by French Directors like Rene Claire. Then, again, the Russian films, too, are developing an original and striking technique which has earned praise even from British Cine technicians. Several cinemas in London show them to appreciative intellectual audiences. Why shouldn't some of the enterprising cinema-owners in Bombay arrange to get these films? Even if they are afraid of importing Russian films they can atleast get more French productions like "Les Miserables"—similarly titled in English.

The exhibition of such pictures would not only be welcomed by a good number of serious-minded cinema-goers who are not satisfied by the cheap entertainment usually served out by Hollywood and Elstree but would also help to raise the standard of the Indian film industry by acquainting our producers and technicians with the latest methods and technique being developed and perfected in French and Russian Studios.

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PRISON STORY AT CAPITOL

"Alcatraz Island", New Variation Of G-Men Theme

What Andamans are in India, the "Alcatraz Island," that rather smallish bit of rock which is washed by the chill, cross-currents of San Francisco Bay, is to United States of America. But few persons apart from San Francisco residents have ever even seen the island itself, and almost nobody has been on the inside of the prison situate on the rock. The Warner picture, "Alcatraz Island" (at Capitol) with John Litel, Dick Purcell, Gordon Oliver Mary Maguire and Ann Sheridan in the cast, brings the prison on the screen.

The tale has to do with a racketeer played by Litel, who is in his way, fairly decent. He'll take all the money he can get but he won't countenance murder. Because of this he is framed by more unscrupulous underworld associates and sent to Leavenwooth, a minor Federal prison on an income tax evasion conviction. Here he's framed again, made to appear like an incorrigible and sent to the "Big Rock."

"Alcatraz Island" isn't altogether a prison story. It would be too drab if it were. Gat Brady (Litel) has a daughter whom he has kept in private school before his arrest, and who knows nothing about his means of livelihood. The story concerns itself with how the girl (Mary Maguire) falls in love with the District Attorney (Gordon Oliver) who has sent Gat away, and how—after still another framing, this time on a murder charge—Mary and Gordon rally to his rescue at his trial for life. "Alcatraz Island" provides a new variation of the G—Men theme and, of course, has a happy ending with the romantic pair united and justice vindicated.

William McGann directed the picture from a story by Crane Wilbur. Among other notables in the cast are Vladimir Sokoloff, Ben Welden Addison Richards, George E. Stone, Peggy Bates and Ellen Clancy.

Cesar Romero and Margaret Lindsay in "Public Enemy's Wife" seen this week at Eros.

"THAT GIRL FROM PARIS"!

Lily Pons Film Revived At Wellington

The well-known prima donna, Lily Pons discovers that love is far more valuable to happiness than the fruits of fame as a singing star in "That Girl from Paris," her sparkling film starring Gene Raymond and Jack Oakie. This amusing musical comedy is revived at Wellington this week. "That Girl From Paris" is a gay film musical offering one of the widest varieties of entertainment ever recorded for a photography. Lily Pns sings three "hot" numbers, a modern interpretation of "The Blue Danube Waltz", "Tarantalla" and "Una Voce Poco Fa." Jack Oakie sings an original and a swing band plays together. "That Girl From Paris" is the story of a little French Oliva, who sheds her mantle of operatic fame and pursues romance incognito. She follows a handsome orchestra leader across the ocean to America, where she runs into a series of harrowing adventures with the police, the press and the small army of suitors. The climax of "That Girl From Paris" is a madcap marriage ceremony in a tracing automobile which is one of the most unusual film denouements seen on the screen.

Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray in "Maid Of Salem", revived at Broadway.

"Maid Of Salem" Revived This Week

The love story of a beautiful Puritan maiden and a dashing Virginia cavalier, laid against one of the most amazing periods in American history, brings Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray to the Broadway, Dadar, in "Maid of Salem", revived this week.

The famous witchcraft hysteria of 1692, which began in Salem and spread to the other colonies, forms the background of "Maid of Salem".

The picture will remain for four days from Saturday to Tuesday, and from Wednesday to Friday Paramount's presentation, "Anything Goes", the Broadway musical comedy success. It is a sparkling happy comedy, and contains all the famous song hits associated with this play.

Barbara Stanwyck and Herbert Marshall in "Breakfast For Two", amusing comedy drama at Pathe.

"Breakfast For Two," Amusing Comedy Drama, At Pathe

Brought together for the first time as co-stars in the romantic comedy "Breakfast for Two" (at Excelsior) are Barbara Stanwyck and Herbert Marshall. They are supported by a quartet of funmakers including Eric Blore, Glenda Farrell, Etienne Girardot and Donald Meek

"Breakfast for Two" is based on David Garth's novel of the same name, which was published in Red Book.

This interesting comedy-romance, directed by Al Santell, deals in entertained fashion with a rich girl's efforts to make a man out of a charming idler.

Herbert Marshall, as the last of the ship-owning Blairs and president of the Blair Steamship Lines, takes no interest in the affairs of the company and prefers night life in a big way, while the Lines are rapidly going into bankruptcy. Barbara Stanwyck is an heiress from Texas, who meets Marshall during a hectic tour of the New York night clubs and escorts him home, only to discover he is practically engaged to Glenda Farrell, as a gold-digging actress whose career he is financing. Undaunted Miss Stanwyck decides to make a man of Marshall whether he likes it or not, and proceeds to buy control of the Lines from under his nose.

Enraged by what he considers her trickery, Marshall prepares to fight back, but, practically penniless, is in no position to do so. Miss Stanwyck makes him vice-president of the company to build up his morale—and learns he intends to marry Miss Farrell.

How the heiress and Marshall's faithful valet, Eric Blore, team together to prevent this and to stimulate Marshall into puting up a fight for his firm and his name, leads to the exciting and hilarious series of climaxes.

Produced by Edward Kaufman and directed by Alfred Santell, "Breakfast for Two" is an RKO Radio release.

Jack Buchanan, Private Detective, In "Smash And Grab" At Excelsior

"Smash and Grab" at the Excelsior theatre this week inaugurates a new era in the career of its star, Jack Buchanan. Apart from the fact that he departs from musical comedy, the film is a product of Jack Buchanan's own, newly-formed production unit.

Jack Buchanan appears as a non-chalant, but keen-witted private detective. When a series of smash and grab raids on jewellers' shops sweep the capitals of Europe, he is employed by an insurance firm to trace what is thought to be an organised gang.

Elsie Randolph plays opposite Jack Buchanan as his wife, and she is forced by her husband to play an active part in his business, enduring the philandering attentions of a crooked jeweller for whom she works as an assistant and nearly getting bumped off by the confederates of an Italian barber, who has unwittingly engaged her as a manicurist.

The popularity of this well-known stage and screen partnership should be more than ever firmly established by "Smash and Grab," the original story by Tim Whelan allowing them to display to the full their versatility. Many other popular players are included in the cast.

Arthur Margetson has an important role as a modern Don Juan, who forgets his duty to his crooked associates in the dazzling light of Elsie Randolph's eyes; Edmund Willard, David Burns and Antony Holles appear as unscrupolous gangsters; a newcomer to the screen, Zoe Wynn, a Canadian actress who made her stage debut in this country in "To and Fro," takes the part of their "moll" and Lawrence Grossmith plays, butler-valet to Jack Buchanan. Tim Whelan, in addition to writing the story, was also responsible for the direction.

Jack Buchanan and Elsie Randolph in "Smash and Grab", a smart British comedy at Excelsior.

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Securing Harijans' Right To Use Public Wells

Severe Measures To Combat Opposition Contemplated By Government

Instructions To Officers; Appeal To Harijan Sevak Sanghs And Social Workers

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:

The Government of Bombay have issued from time to time orders to their officers and to local bodies to take all necessary steps to secure the free enjoyment of the use of wells and tanks by the members of the scheduled castes on the same terms as by persons belonging to other castes and communities. Government specially ordered that notice boards stating that the public wells, tanks, etc., are open to all castes and communities without any distinction, should be erected without exception and permanently retained near all wells and tanks constructed from public funds.

In spite of these orders, it is reported that progress in breaking down the prejudice of caste Hindus regarding the use of public wells by the scheduled castes has not been satisfactory. Some local bodies have not yet put up the Notice Boards as directed by Government. It is also alleged that in some places the caste Hindus have as a measure of reprisal gone as far as to throw rubbish into the wells used by the scheduled castes.

FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS MUST BE SAFEGUARDED

Government consider that the time has now come for taking more stringent action to safeguard these fundamental civic rights of the scheduled castes. All officers of Government are accordingly enjoined to deal severely with all cases where the scheduled castes are prevented from enjoying their rights in this respect. In particular, Government have directed that the following steps should be taken:—

The prosecuting authority should always press the Court to award deterrent punishment for the offence of fouling the drinking water of the scheduled castes and District Magistrates should invariably report all such cases to Government with their opinion in each case whether it is necessary to apply for enhancement of the sentence passed by the magistrate.

In cases where a local body fails after due warning to give effect to the declared policy of Government in this respect the local officers should not hesitate to recommend the curtailment or stoppage of any voluntary grants paid by Government to that body.

If a local body deliberately and persistently disregards the orders of Government in this respect and fails to carry out its obligatory duty of throwing open public wells and tanks to all castes and communities without distinction, the local officers should report such cases without delay, and Government will not hesitate, in a recalcitrant case, to dissolve or supersede the defaulting local body and to have the obligatory duty carried out by their own agency at the expense of the said local body.

Government realise that executive or legal action alone is not sufficient to prevent caste Hindus from inflicting social boycott and other forms of harassment on those members of the scheduled castes who assert their civic rights in these matters, and that enlightened public opinion and active support are necessary for the success of their policy to achieve the desired end. Government therefore appeal to the Harijan Sevak Sanghs, Depressed Class Missions, and social workers to cooperate with them to obtain for the scheduled castes free and unhampered use of all sources of public water supply in every town and village in this province.

It is the policy of Government to bring about the removal of untouchability so far as it affects the exercise of public and civic rights and they propose to take all possible steps to achieve this object as early as possible.

AMBALA CONGRESS PRESIDENT ON TRIAL

Attempt To Arouse Ill-Feeling Among People Alleged

HOSHIARPORE, March 23.

Khan Abdul Ghaffur Khan, President of the Ambala Congress Committee, was charged yesterday by Sardar Ujagar Singh, Additional District Magistrate, Hoshiarpore, under section 153-A and Section 295-A, I.P.C. (in the alternative) for having intentionally attempted to promote feelings of enmity between different classes of His Majesty's subjects or attempted to insult the religious feelings of the Muslims in the month of October last.

It may be remembered that the accused on his way back to Ambala after attending the Garhdiwala Conference made a speech at Hoshiarpore supporting the candidature of a Congress Muslim nominee for the Hoshiarpore Municipal elections and exhorted the Muslims to join the Congress in large numbers.

It is alleged that he condemned the Khan Sahibs and Khan Bahadurs charging them as having changed their ideal from "La-ilaill-ille, Mahomed Rasul Illa" to "la-ilaill-illa, the Viceroy the English Rasul Illa," whereupon the meeting was disturbed and a pandemonium prevailed. Some Muslim youths actually, it is alleged, attacked the speaker and it was with great difficulty that he was able to remove himself out of the infuriated mob.

The case was adjourned to April 9 when prosecution witnesses will be re-examined.—United Press.

NEED FOR NATIONAL MERCANTILE MARME

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plied to India also, since as their report stated, "the position of India in these matters has always been to all intents and purposes identical with that of the Dominion," not only was India not given power to enact such maritime legislation as was conferred upon the Dominions by the Statute of Westminster, but she was on the contrary further subjected to new and stringent restrictions in the new Constitution which deprived the Indian Legislature of even the meagre powers it enjoyd in the past."

As to which anomalous constitutional position listen to what the Congress President says. Babu Subhas Chandra Bose in the course of his Presidential address to the Haripura Congress said: "It is, of course, preposterous to permit foreigners in this country to compete with the Nationals on equal terms and there can be no genuine Swaraj if India is to be denied the power to devise and adopt a National Economic Policy including the right, if her interests so require, of differentiating between nationals and non-nationals.

What Gandhiji Said

"In a famous article in "Young India" under the caption: "The Giant and the Dwarf", written soon after the conclusion of the Gandhi-Irwin Pact in 1931 Mahatma Gandhi declared plainly that "to talk of no discrimination between Indian interests and English or European is to perpetuate Indian helotage. What is equality of rights between a giant and a dwarf?"

"Even the meagre powers enjoyed by the Central Legislature at present to enact a measure like the reservation of Indian Coastal Trade for Indian-owned and Indian-managed vessels has been taken away under the so-called reformed Constitution.

"Shipping is a vital industry which is essential for defensive as for economic purposes; but all the accepted and legitimate methods of developing this key industry including those adopted even by several British dominions, are henceforth rendered impossible for India. To justify such limitations on our sovereignty on the ground of "reciprocity" and "partnership" is literally to add insult to injury."

The Government of India have never attempted to do anything to improve the shipping industry in this country. And all private efforts to legislate in this matter have proved of no avail so far. It was only in September last year that Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi introduced his modest bill to control the Coastal Traffic in India. The main object of the Bill is to fix the minimum rates of freight so as to obvert ruinous rate cutting.

Licensing Coastal Vessels

Indian shipping interests represented by the Scindia Steam Navigation Company, the Malabar Steamship Company, Merchant Steam Navigation Company, the Ratnagar Steam Navigation Company, the Bengal-Burma Steam Navigation Co., the Eastern Steam Navigation Company and the Indian Co-operative Navigation and Trading Company have submitted a long representation to the Select Committee. After considering all the aspects of the question they suggest that a bare fixing of the minimum rates of freight, even if it were practicable (and they point out that there are great difficulties in arriving at a minimum rate) would not have the effect of affording any real protection to Indian shipping.

Therefore, they suggest that "the only effective and practical method which in our opinion will achieve the real object of the Bill, namely, the development of an Indian Mercantile Marine, and yet prevent unhealthy competition, will be the introduction of a carefully thought-out scheme of licensing the tonnage plying in the coastal trade of India, Burma and Ceylon."

After pointing out that Sir A. H. Ghuznavi himself admitted the need for incorporating in his Bill a scheme of licensing, and also that a similar provision was made in an earlier Bill introduced by the Hon. Mr. P. N. Sapru in the Council of State, they proceed to say: "It is, therefore, essential that the licensing system to be provided for in the Bill should be in consonance with the national demand and should make it obligatory on the Governor-General-in-Council to license to begin with not less than 50 per cent., of the tonnage plying on the coast, to be owned, managed and controlled by the nationals of the country."

It is to be earnestly hoped that the Legislature will give their utmost attention to this suggestion and it is further to be hoped that the Bill, amended on these lines, will soon become law.

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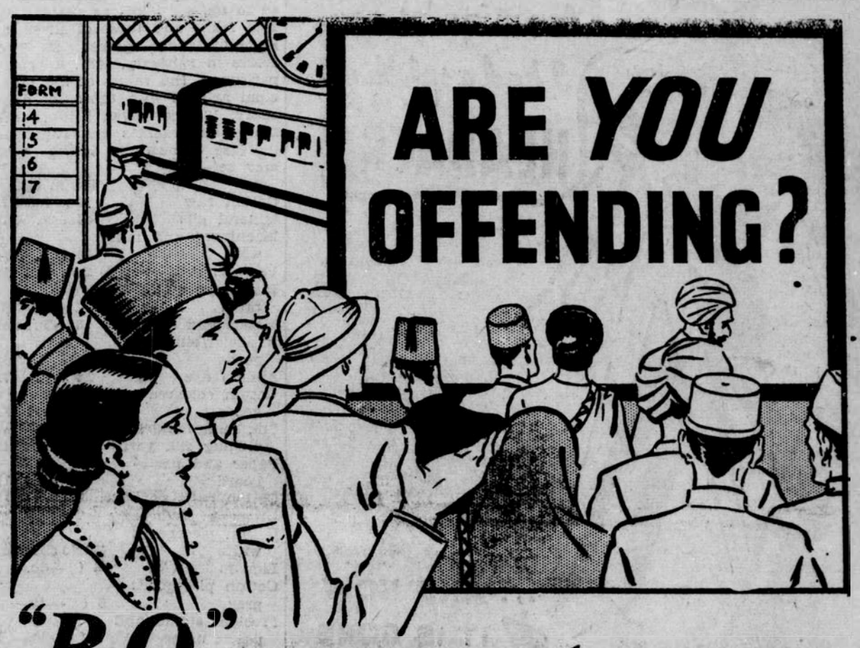

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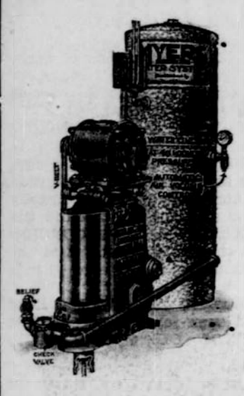

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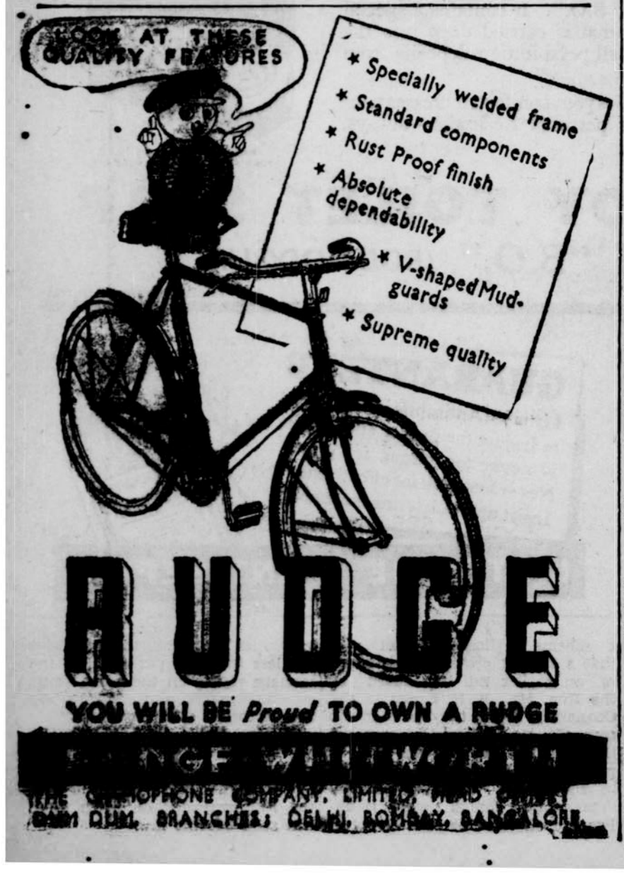

Bombay's Foreign Trade Registers Fall

Imports Show Rise: Huge Decline In Raw Cotton Exports In February

The Collector of Customs has issued the following statement regarding the foreign trade of Bombay for the month of February, 1938

The total value of the foreign trade of Bombay (including trade with Burma) for the month of February 1938 amounted to Rs. 11.13 crores showing a fall of Rs. 64.73 lakhs from the figures for the same month last year. This fall was mainly due to smaller arrivals of silver and reduced shipments of Indian produce and manufacture. Imports of merchandise and exports of gold, however recorded noticeable increases

IMPORTS.

The total value of imports of merchandise amounted to Rs. 5.44 crores showing a rise of Rs. 1.46 crores over the figure for February, 1937. Imports of gold amounted to Rs. 4.2 lakhs as against Rs. 28.4 lakhs and those of silver to Rs. 1.01 lakhs against Rs 1.91 crores in February, 1937. A comparison of the values of the principal articles with those for February, 1937 is given below, the figures in brackets indicating the increase or decrease as the case may be:—

	Rs. in lakhs.
Cotton raw	128 (Plus 73)
Mineral oils	48 („ 26)
Machinery and millwork	42 („ 19)
Vehicles etc.	29 („ 10)
Instruments and apparatus	19 („ 3)
Metals and ores	18 (Minus 2)
Artificial silk piecegoods	16 („ 6)
Aniline dye	14 („ 7)
Cotton coloured piecegoods	13 (Plus 2)
Silk manufactures (including silk yarn)	13 (Minus 4)
Paper and pasteboard	9 (Plus 1)
Cotton twist and yarn	9 („ 1)
Drugs & Medicine	7 („ 2)
Cotton piecegoods white	7 (No change)
Liquors	6 (—do.—)
Cotton piecegoods grey	6 (—do.—)
Precious stones and pearls unset	6 (—do.—)
Provisions & Oilman's stores	6 (—do.—)
Wood & Timber	6 (Plus 5)
Hardware (excluding cutlery & electro-plated ware)	6 (No change)
Chemicals and chemical preparations	5 (Minus 3)
Rubber manufacture	5 (No change)
Artificial silk yarn	4 (Minus 4)
Glass and glassware	4 (No change)
Cotton other manufactures	4 (Plus 1)
Spices	4 (No change)
Wool manufactures (including yarn and knitting wool)	3 (Plus 2)

QUANTITATIVE VARIATIONS.

The quantitative variations were as under:—

Cotton raw: Tons 15,761 (Plus 9.922).

Mineral oils, million gals. over 18-1|2 (Plus 8).

Artificial silk piecegoods: Million yarns over 6-3|4 (Minus 1-1|2).

Cotton coloured piecegoods: Million yards over 6-1|4 (Plus 1|2).

Cotton twist & Yarn: Million yards lbs. 3|4 (No change).

Cotton piecegoods white: Million yards 2-3|4 (No change).

The most noticeable increases were due chiefly to larger imports of cotton raw from the United States of America and Kenya colony, of kerosene oil from the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic (Southern) and Persia, of motor chassis of motor omnibuses, vans, etc. from the United States of America and cotton spinning and weaving machinery from the United Kingdom.

EXPORTS.

Indian Produce and manufacture:—

The total value of exports of Indian produce and manufacture amounted to Rs. 3 crores showing a fall of Rs. 1.07 crores from the figures for February, 1937. Exports of gold were valued at Rs. 2 crores as against Rs. 1.15 crores and those of silver at Rs. 4,34 lakhs against nil in February 1937. The values of important items as compared with those for February 1937 were as under:—

	Rs. in lakhs.
Cotton raw	150 (Minus 90)
Seeds	32 (No change)
Cotton manufactures	25 (Plus 7)
Cotton twist and yarn	17 („ 12)
Grain, pulse & flour	6 (No change)
Wool, raw	4 (Minus 10)
Hides and skins, raw	3 (Minus 9)

DECLINE IN RAW COTTON.

The quantity of raw cotton declined from 41,204 tons to 28,155 tons and of seeds from 22,032 tons to 19,422 tons while that of cotton twist and yarn increased from one million lbs. to over 3-1|4 million lbs. The heavy decrease in the export of Indian produce was almost entirely due to smaller shipments of cotton, raw to Japan, Belgium, the United Kingdom and France and of goat skins, especially to the United States of America. There were no shipments of wool raw to the United States of America as against 887,000 lbs. shipped in February 1937.

Re-exports of foreign merchandise amounted to Rs. 59.78 lakhs as against Rs. 37.4 lakhs in February 1937. The increase was due chiefly to larger re-exports of raw skins to the United Kingdom.

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(From Our Correspondent).

NAGPUR (By Mail)

"If the rich people do not help institutions like the Anath Vidyarthi Griha, then Government will have to tax the rich in the interest of the poor" declared Hon. Dr. N. B. Khare, Prime Minister, speaking on the occasion of the 16th anniversary of the Anath-Vidyarthi Griha, Nagpur, on Saturday last.

Mr. W. R. Puranik, President and Mr. D. V. Deshmukh, Secretary, narrated the history of the institution and the progress it had made. It was announced that Mr. W. R. Puranik and Dr. M. R. Cholkar had donated Rs. 1,001 each and Mr. M. G. Chitnavis had promised to build a block in memory of his mother.

RUIKER'S APPEAL.

Mr. R. S. Ruiker, Vice-President, All-India Trade Union Congress, has issued an appeal for help to the three thousand workers of Rajnandgaon, who have been carrying a brave fight against the management of Messrs. Shaw Wallace and Co., for the last four months.

Mysore Letter

LEGISLATIVE ACTION TO IMPROVE COTTON

Importation Of Inferior Seed To Be Prevented In Mysore

(From Our Correspondent).

MYSORE, (By Mail).

The Government of Mysore have agreed on principle to the need for legislative control of cotton cultivation in the State and marketing in order to improve the industry and a Bill towards this end will be drafted shortly and introduced at the next session of the Legislative Council, after the underlying principles of the proposed Bill have been placed before the Mysore Representative Assembly at the Birthday Session. In compliance with a request made by the Mysore Legislative Council a Commercial Crops Committee was formed which at its various meetings examined in detail the ways and means to improve the cotton and groundnut trades in Mysore State.

LEGISLATION NECESSARY

The Commercial Crops Committee considered at great length all the facts relevant to the cotton and groundnut cultivation and marketing in the State and decided that no substantial improvement could be made without legislative sanction to prohibit 'in toto' the cultivation, possession and use of inferior varieties of cotton and to put an end to mal-practices existing at present. The Government have agreed with this finding and suitable legislation will be introduced on the lines indicated.

PREVENTION OF INFERIOR SEEDS

The supply of pure cotton seeds of an improved variety was discussed as a corollary to the above. The Committee agreed that though the Agricultural Department had evolved a good variety of seed it had not been able to distribute the improved variety as extensively as was desirable. The absence of special organisation with ramifications all over the cotton tracts in the State, in order to grow and distribute good seeds extensively was a serious handicap. It was therefore essential to give effect to the recommendation of the Director of Agriculture for the formation of the co-operative Cotton Seed Growers' Association with branches.

Further the Committee decided that the arrangements for the supply of improved seed would be fully effective only if they were buttressed by legislation aimed to prevent importation into the State of inferior seed, the prohibition of the cultivation of inferior varieties of cotton, the regulation of the working of cotton ginning and pressing factories and the establishment of properly organised and regulated markets. Similar legislative precautions, it might be remembered, were under operation in many parts of the country—Madras, Bombay, Hyderabad and the Central Provinces. The Bill to be drawn up for Mysore would follow the lines of the Bombay legislation.

MAIN FEATURES OF THE BILL

The main features of the Bill drafted by the Director of Industries and Commerce are:

It provides for the establishment of markets for cotton and other agricultural produce on a statutory basis.

The management of the market will be entrusted to a Market Committee of whose number not less than half shall be persons elected by or nominated by the growers of agricultural produce.

All brokers, weighmen, surveyors, warehousemen, and other persons operating in such a market should take out a licence issued by the Committee, and the licensees should abide by certain conditions prescribed in this connection.

PROPOSAL WELCOMED

The numerous merchants whom the Director of Industries met in this connection had agreed to take the necessary steps to start regulated markets on a voluntary basis in their respective areas even before the proposed Bill becomes law. Leading cotton brokers in Bangalore interviewed by the press representatives in this connection unanimously welcomed the proposed legislative measures and stated that in no other way could the cotton trade in Mysore State be improved.

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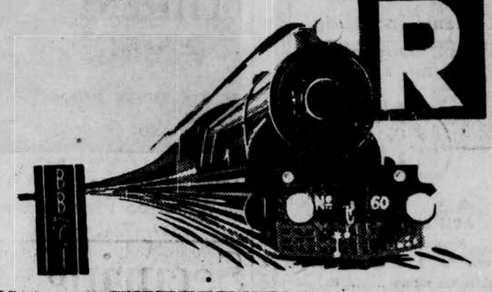

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There were centres of this Association not only in Bombay, but also in Simla and if we mistake not also in Calcutta. Its object is to assemble for mutual benefit all friends of the French Language, French literature and French arts and culture. It being a non-political Association, it exists to promote friendly relations among such people whether they speak the French language or not. Its aim, therefore, is to strengthen the bonds of sympathy both moral and spiritual which unite France to other peoples of the world. It was unfortunate that the advent of the Great War put an end to its activities in India for many of the notables of the country had extended to it their sympathy and patronage. In Bombay Lord Willingdon gave his patronage to it and was once present at one of its entertainments. In Simla Lady Butler presided over its group and Lord and Lady Hardinge attended several of its entertainments.

It is pleasing to learn that the movement to re-establish a centre of this Association in Bombay is likely to meet with success as there are many influential persons here, both Europeans and Indians who favour it.

Monsieur Yves Petit Du Taill, who is the son of a French Colonial Governor, has been delegated by the French Government to re-establish a centre of L'Alliance here. He is well qualified for this task for he has travelled a good deal and has met many people of different countries and races. He speaks English well and is a versatile Frenchman. He holds the Gold Medal of the French Academy and is one of its Officers. He is already well-known in Bombay as a French artist-decorator and a literary and art critic. A good speaker, his lectures at the Cercle Litteraire are always well-attended for he can speak on a variety of subjects and he is always very entertaining. L'Alliance Francaise numbers about 500,000 members all over the world. In England alone there are 39 centres and 36 in the British Empire.

Since its activities in Bombay would to arrange French courses of study and lectures and to teach the history of French civilization, it will surely interest French speaking people here and students of the French language and other lovers of French culture and civilization.

Monsieur F. Chalant, the French Consul in Bombay, has kindly consented to become its Honorary President and its Honorary Treasurer is Mons: G. G. Quiribet.

People who may be interested in this movement should address to Monsieur Yves Petit Du Taillil, Cama Oriental Institute, Apollo-Street.

MINISTERS ADDRESS VILLAGERS

Plea For Hindu-Muslim Unity

MALEGAON, March 24.

Addressing a large gathering including 2,000 villagers on his recent visit to Nimgaon to open a new school building, the Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister of Bombay paid a tribute to the villagers on their constructing a fine school building by their own free voluntary labour, and expressed the hope that the example would be followed by other small villages in the Presidency. The problem of illiteracy would then be solved.

HINDU-MUSLIM UNITY

The Premier then went to Nandgaon and from there to Malegaon. There a crowd of 7,000 people, including about 500 women, had gathered to listen to him. Mr. Kher gave an outline of the programme of the Congress which, he said, included Hindu-Muslim unity, Prohibition, use of the Swadeshi products, spread of education to the villages and the revision of cottage industries.

The Congress, he said, belonged neither to the Hindus nor to the Muslims nor to any other communities exclusively, but stood solely for the upholding and fighting for the rights of the Indian nation.

The Hon. Mr. Nurie, who was also present, assured the Muslims that there was absolutely no ground for suspicion about the Congress being a Hindu institution. He added that it was not possible for a single community either the Hindus or the Muslims, to rule in India. He exhorted the Muslims to join the Congress in large numbers if they were true patriots and loved their country.

Dr. SAHA FOR CALCUTTA

As Palit Professor And Head Of Department Of Physics

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, March 25.

Dr. M. N. Saha, head of the Department of Physics has been offered by the Calcutta University the post as Palit Professor and the head of the Department of Physics.

The vacancy has been caused by the resignation of Dr. D. M. Bose who is joining the Bose Institute as its director.

Dr. Saha is being persuaded by his friends and admirers in this province not to leave Allahabad University, which he has served with such distinction for a long time.

In this connection, comment is made of the deplorable state of party affairs in the Allahabad University, which probably might have prompted Dr. Saha to consider the change favourably.

Dr. Saha has not yet made a formal announcement of his decision, but it is considered unlikely, that he will reject the offer.

ECHO OF FATEHWAL INCIDENT

Two More Congressmen Arrested

AMRITSAR: March 24.

Two more Congressmen have been arrested to-day in connection with the Fatehwal incident on March 13 last, which culminated in the deaths of two persons and the breaking up of the Congress meeting held in the Fatehwal village.

This brings the total number of arrests of Congressmen so far to 25.

Twenty Congressmen were produced to-day before the Court. They made statements before the Court complaining against ill-treatment at the hands of the Police.

The accused were remanded again into Police custody until March 31.

The prosecution submitted that there were still 28 warrants for arrests to be effected.—United Press.

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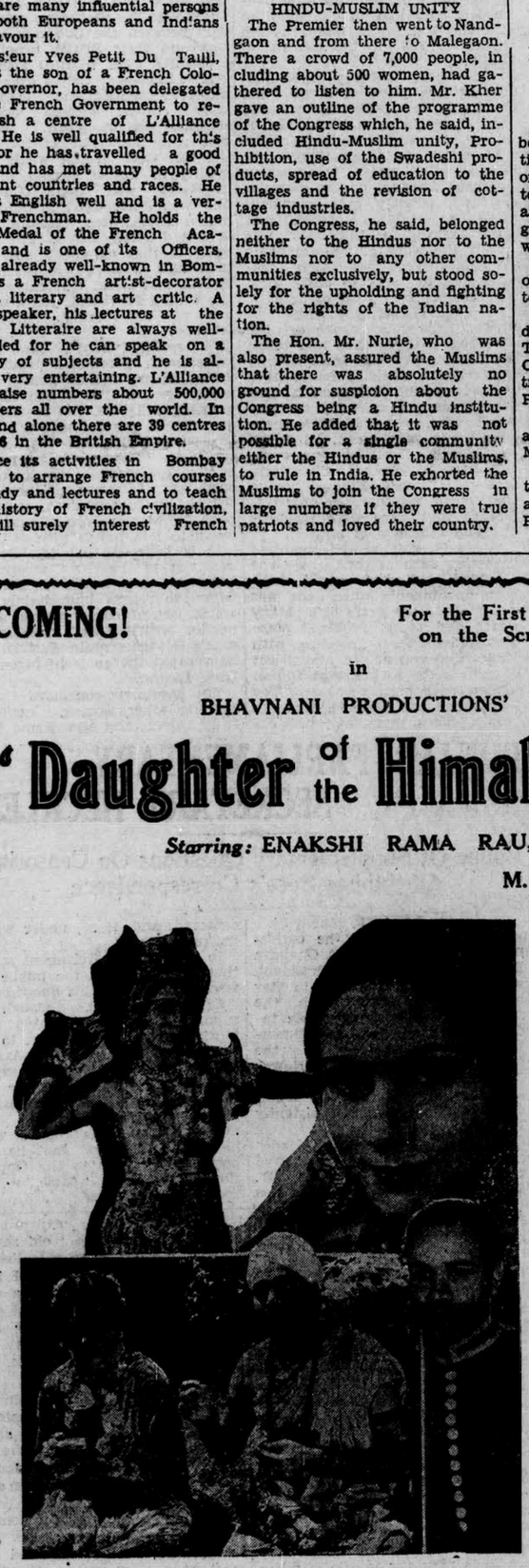

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Are Indian Women Fundamentally Religious?

To Them Question Of Peace And War Is Spiritual Issue, Says Mrs. Lankester

(From Our Own Correspondent)
LONDON, March, 12.

Mrs. Grace Lankester, who was the British delegate to the All-India Women's Conference recently held at Nagpur and who travelled in the major Provinces and some of the States, reported her impressions at a large meeting yesterday evening at the Y.M.C.A. Central Club, Great Russell Street, convened by the Women's Advisory Council on Indian Questions and the Liaison Group of British Women's Societies. Every available seat in the great hall was occupied and several had to go away for want of space.

WOMEN AND INDIAN CONSTITUTION

Mr. R. A. Butler, former Under Secretary of State for India was in the chair. At the outset he said:

"My interest in your problems remains unabated. I took great pride in anything I could do for the women of India when I was at the India Office". There were loud cheers.

Mr. Butler congratulated the women's organisations that had been sending British women to the All-India Women's Conferences, and said they had done valuable work in sending Mrs. Lankester, who had unique qualities for the task and had rendered great services to the women of India.

One thing which inspired him during five years of stress and strain at the India Office, and which also inspired his successive chiefs, was that the growth of the movement of Indian women for emancipation and of the exertion of their influence on the destinies of their country was coincident with the evolution of the new Constitution for India. It was surely the work of statesmanship to bind these forces closely together and to seek to unite them for the common good of India.

STARTLING CHANGES

Mrs. Lankester spoke of the startling changes that had taken place since she left India twenty years ago, when it would have been impossible for such a conference as she attended at Nagpur to have been held. Five thousand people were there. All grades and classes of women were working happily together, Christians, Moslems, Parsees, Hindus, having their meals together, the only difference that some were vegetarians and others were not.

She said that a well-organised gathering such as that which she attended at Nagpur, would have been unthinkable when she was last in India 20 years ago. Many social and moral problems were discussed at that meeting with earnestness and ability, and it was brought home to her that Indian women were born speakers. The Conference had been in existence only a dozen years, and had expanded with remarkable quickness. It was going through a time of growing pains, and while some wished it to go faster there were others who saw the advantage of making haste slowly. It was felt that in the past there had been too much readiness to pass resolutions without due consideration of all their implications.

RURAL PROGRESS

There had been a growth of village consciousness—a recognition of the pressing need of rural progress. There was no trace of caste distinctions in the conference: the delegates worked and ate together, the only difference at meals being separate table for vegetarians and non-vegetarians. The feeling of Indian women on the promotion of world peace was passionate. They regarded it as fundamentally a religious question. They had asked her to bring to this country a copy, signed by all the leaders, of a resolution protesting against war and aggression, and dedicating themselves to non-violence in thought, word and deed as a contribution to peace.

Mrs. Lankester spoke of the Provincial Legislatures as now getting through splendidly constructive work, and said that she was cheered to see the happy relationship between the Congress Ministers and their British officials.

DESIRE FOR WORLD PEACE

Mrs. Lankester visited over sixty different institutions, including baby clinics, welfare centres, schools and hospitals. Having met many women in political work she felt that on the whole the quality of women elected to Legislatures was high. (Cheers.) She was interested to find so many cases where husband and wife had been elected. The husband of that extremely able woman Mrs. Pandit, Minister for Health and Local Government in the United Provinces, was a member of the same Assembly. (cheers).

"Wherever I went", Mrs. Lankester said, "I found a passionate desire among Indian women for world peace. They are fundamentally religious, and regard the question of peace and war as a spiritual issue". She read the conclusion of the resolution passed by the Conference, "We dedicated ourselves to non-violence in thought, word and deed, and appeal to women throughout the world to join hands with us".

It is believed that Mr. Butler, who was in the chair, received a telephone call from the Foreign Office to return immediately for an important conference in connection with the fall of Schuschnigg's Government in Austria. So he vacated the chair in favour of Lady Layton.

The meeting concluded after hearing other women, including Lady Layton and Mrs. Rama Rao.

PUNJAB PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY HECKLED

Volley Of Supplementary Questions On Censoring Of Subhas Bose's Correspondence

LAHORE, March 24.

The censoring of the correspondence of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, the Congress President, while he was in Dalhousie in May last, figured prominently on the floor of the Punjab Assembly today when a volley of supplementary questions were put by the Opposition members. Nawab Daulatana, Chief Parliamentary Secretary, who replied on behalf of Government, was persistently heckled.

Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, leader of the Opposition, enquired whether it was a fact that Mr. Subhas Bose's correspondence was censored, and, if so, under whose instructions?

In reply, the Government stated that it was not in the public interest to reply to this question.

Diwan Chimanlal, through a supplementary, drew pointed attention of the Government to the reply given to them in the Assembly on January 14 last, saying that Government would reply to such questions, if the Opposition leader wanted it.

Nawab Daulatana replied what he meant than was that he was prepared to reply to the Opposition leader, if he came to his room.—United Press.

A Stitch In Time Saves Nine

(From A Correspondent)

This proverb emphasises the importance of little things, and the danger of neglecting the insignificant beginnings of evil. It means that we promptly mend a small tear in our clothes when we first notice it, we shall prevent the tear from becoming a large hole, which it will take a lot of trouble, time and labour to repair. Many other illustrations of the same truth could be given. Sometimes the seeds of the Pipal tree get lodged in cracks in the masonry of a building and take root and grow. When they are little plants it is easy to pluck them up; but if they are allowed to remain, they become trees and split the building to pieces. A small hole in a canal embankment can be stopped up with very little trouble; but if it is neglected it will widen into a great breach, which it will require much labour and expense to make good. As the old saying teaches, a kingdom may be lost by neglecting to replace a nail in a horse's shoe; "For want of a nail, the shoe was lost; for want of a horse, the rider was lost; for want of a rider, the battle was lost; for want of the battle, the kingdom was lost."

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SURAT PARSI ORPHANAGE CELEBRATES SILVER JUBILEE

Munificence Of Kooka Family: Bust Of Late Mr. Rustomji Kooka Unveiled

(From Our Correspondent.)
SURAT, (By Mail.)

Last Monday (Jamshedi Naoroze Day) was a red letter day in our city when several important functions took place on the playground of the Kooka Parsi Orphanage on the occasion of the silver jubilee of the institution. Sir Byramji Jeejibhoy, Kt., came down specially from Bombay to preside over them. A large number of ex-students were among those present

Khan Bahadur Kavasji Vakil said the Orphanage was started by late Mr. Rustomji M. Kooka on 21st March 1912, and they were therefore celebrating its silver jubilee that day. He then traced in detail the history of this institution, how it came into being with a capital of rupees one lakh, most of which was contributed by late Mr. Rustomji Kooka, and a part of it was collected by the efforts of Mr. Burjorji N. Vakil. A beginning of the Endownment Fund was also made and the Parsi Panchayat of Surat agreed to give an annual grant of Rs. 4,000 out of the Funds in its charge. Before his death Mr. Kooka had the satisfaction of giving to the institution a total sum of Rs. 190,000, and seeing its Endownment Fund reach the total of rupees eight lakhs and its estates worth Rs. 1,40,000. Again teaching upto the seventh standard was made possible, mainly due to the big donations of Mr. Kooka From the very beginning commercial and technical education had been imparted there.

DONATIONS BY KOOKA FAMILY.

After referring to some clauses of the Trust Deed, Khan Bahadur Vakil proceeded to state that late Mr. Kooka besides contributing largely for the institution had also donated Rs. 32,000 for the construction of chawls for the poor where 13 families were now living, also given sums of Rs. 14,000 for the Hospital Fund and Rs. 5,000 for the Day Scholar Dinner Fund. After the death of Mr. Kooka, his daughter, Bai Jaiji Peston-H. Jamasp and her sons had given over estates worth Rs. 1,02,000 and cash of Rs. 32,000, to the Punchayet towards the Orphanage and Chawls Funds, for which they deserved thanks for following in the footsteps of their worthy ancesters. Amidst cheers he declared that the Estates of the institution were now worth Rs. 3,28,000 and the Endowment Fund Rs. 15,69,000.

He then added that the object for which the institution was started had been achieved. It had not only helped the orphans to receive sound education but enabled them to get suitable employment and earn their bread. Some of the students, after leaving the Orphanage, had prosecuted further studies outside upto B. A. of or B. Sc. courses, at the expense of the institution.

In commemoration of the celebrations some charities were then announced, viz., (1) the gift of his house named "Kookana Dehla" with its attached estate by Mr. Meherjibhoy A. Kooka, a nephew of late Mr. Rustomji Kooka, (2) a sum of Rs. 30,000 for erection of a hostel for the Surat Parsi Technical and Industrial Institute out of the estates of late Mr. Dhanjishah B. Desai.

A sum of Rs. 3,001 it was also announced, had been given by Bai Jaiji to the Punchayet Board to meet expenses in connection with the jubilee celebrations.

MR. KOOKA'S BUST UNVEILED

Sir Byramji then unveiled the bust of late Mr. Rustomji Kooka, also the portrait of Mr. Hormasji, a son of late Mr. Rustomji. A Memorial volume in which was traced the history of the Orphanage was presented to Bai Jaiji.

Sir Byramji after praising the charities of the Kooka family, referred to the fine traits of the Parsis of the former generation who were making good use of their well-earned money—in charities. Lady Byramji Jeejibhoy then distributed prizes and medals to students. A dinner was given at night by Bai Jaiji and her sons when covers were laid for a large number of guests.

Anti-Indian Constitution Day On April 1

(From Our Correspondent)
AHMEDABAD, (By Mail).

A meeting of the representatives of Labour and Socialist organizations in the City was held on Wednesday in the Prarthna Samaj Hall, when it was decided to hold meetings and demonstrations on April 1, the first anniversary of the inauguration of the new constitution. A representative Committee was formed to make necessary arrangements.

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Dawoodi Bohras And Wakf Act

Sharp Difference Of Opinion In The Community.

A statement to the effect that the exemption granted to the Dawoodi Bohra community from the operation of the Wakf Act had since been withdrawn by the Government was made by Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, Minister for Law and Order in reply to a short notice question by Mr. Ali Bahadur Khan in the Bombay Legislative Assembly yesterday.

The Minister further stated that a written representation was made by Mr. Mahomedali Allabux requesting him to grant the exemption to the community. No assurance had been given by the Minister as regards the grant of exemption. Government were aware that a sharp difference of opinion existed in the Dawoodi Bohra community on the question of exemption.

No Action To Be Taken

Q: What action if any, do Government intend to take in the matter?

A: As at present advised. Government propose to require the community to comply with the law.

Q: Whether Government intend to hear the pro-exemption party before they take any steps to change the status quo in the matter?

A: Government would very readily consider any application from any party to be heard.

The Minister stated that Government had no information, when asked if Government was aware that the application of the Wakf Act to the Dawoodi Bohra community had resulted in securing better management with special reference to better and regular keeping of accounts of the Wakfs of the Dawoodi Bohra community. Government were not aware of reports appearing in the press of representations made on behalf of the High Priest of the Bohras.

The Minister further stated that there had been no change in the policy of the Government with regard to the application of the Wakf Act to Wakfs belonging to the Dawoodi Bohra community.

Replying to short notice questions on the same subject by Mr. Mahomed Sulieman Mitha, the Home Minister stated that it was not a fact that a deputation of the Dawoodi Bohras waited on the Minister requesting him to exempt the Dawoodi Bohra Wakfs from the operation of the Mussalman Wakf Act 1923.

Attitude of League

Replying to supplementary questions by Mr. Ali Bahadur Khan, the Minister stated that he was not aware that the representation by Mr. Mahomedali Allabux had been made with the consent of the Muslim League Party. The Minister further stated that there was no precise information as to whether the majority of the Dawoodi Bohra community was in favour of not giving exemption.

"Is the Minister aware of the fact that a memorandum was submitted to the Joint Parliamentary Committee by three-fourths of the Bohra community advocating the application of the Wakf Act to the community?"—"One representation was submitted."

The Minister was also aware of the fact that a representation was made to the Viceroy on behalf of the Dawoodi Bohras from all parts of India.

No Assurance

Q: Is the Minister aware that the All-India Muslim League had passed a resolution against exemption?

A: A resolution urging the provincial Governments which have not enforced the Muslim Wakf Act to do so, was passed unanimously.

Q: Did Mr. Allabux assure the Minister that he would be able to secure the help and support of the Muslim League Party?

A: He never told anything to me. You better ask the party.

United Front In Action

Congress Congratulated For Supporting Workers' Demands

Mr. S. S. Mirajkar, Secretary, Bombay Provincial Trade Union Congress writes:—

I hasten to congratulate the Amalner Taluka Congress Committee upon the bold lead it has given on the textile tangle created by the mill-owners' refusal to pay the increased wages according to the terms of the Textile Inquiry Committee's report. The M.P.C.C. must immediately take up the question and bring sufficient pressure to bear upon the owners, because the prestige of the Congress Ministry is involved in the question and because the workers' cause is just and proper.

The vested interests in Khandesh are trying to defy the Congress Ministry's award and I suspect that the Bombay and Ahmedabad Millowners who decided to pay increased wages under protest may be with the Khandesh owners' resistance. The Congress Ministry and the Congress organisations in Maharastra must line up on the side of the workers in order to break this unjustified attitude of the owners. They must be compelled to carry out the recommendations of the report and forthwith pay the increased wages.

I congratulate the workers of Amalner, Dhulia, Chalisgaon, Jalgaon, etc., upon their united stand. Half of their battle is already won in so far as they have been able to retain the popular sympathies on their side. Their demand is a just demand and workers in other centres will give them every support if the recalcitrant owners of Khandesh compelled them to go to the farthest end of declaring a General Strike. I, however, hope that the Congress Government will compel the owners to grant the increase in accordance with the Committee's report.

The workers of Khandesh, today, do not stand isolated. The entire people have lined up behind them and support them. A mighty United Front in action has been achieved. It is a great lesson to the other parts of India.

The workers of Khandesh are not fighting merely for their wage-increase, but they are also fighting for the maintenance of the prestige of the Congress Ministry. The workers have to act to compel the owners to respect the orders and awards of the peoples' ministry. Let the Congress Ministry understand this point clearly and act in a speedy manner so as to check this arrogant disobedience on the part of the Khandesh owners. If they succeed in Khandesh, millowners in other centres also will raise their banners of revolt and the situation will be too difficult to handle.

Let every press[illegible]rted to crush this revol[illegible]ndesh owners.

AMRIT KAUR TO BE NOMINATED TO CENTRAL ASSEMBLY

Women's Conference Demand To Be Granted

NEW DELHI, March 25.

A woman member is expected to sit for the first time in the Central Assembly when Mr. B. Das' Bill to amend the Sharda Act is taken up on 31st March.

Lobby anticipation is that in response to the request made by a deputation of women the other day to Sir Henry Craik, Home Member, Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, the President for this year of the All-India Womens' Conference, whose name was suggested by the deputation, will be nominated to enable the women's point of view to be placed before the House.

It is also expected that Sardar Sant Singh whose Bill to amend the Civil Procedure Code was under discussion on the last non-official day will waive his right to continue the debate on it on Thursday next and allow Mr. Das to move the consideration and passage of his Bill.—A. P.

55 DETENUS RELEASED UNCONDITIONALLY

CALCUTTA, March 25.

Fifty-five detenus were released unconditionally and 76 on some conditions since last release of 1100 detenus in November 1937.

This information was supplied by the Home-Minister Sir Nazimuddin in reply to a question in the Bengal Council to-day. The added number of those still in detention camps and jails is rapidly decreasing and on March 18 last, their number was 29 the place of their confinement being Calcutta. These detenus he assured, will be released as soon as their release could be accomplished without detriment to public safety.

Replying to another question Sir Nazimuddin said that there are still fourteen regulation three prisoners. No maximum or minimum period have been prescribed for other detention but he added that some of them are being detained for more than six years.—A.P.

PROF. SANJIB CHOWDHURY

Recommended For Nobel Prize In Literature

DACCA, (By Mail).

Prof. Sanjib Chowdhury of Nepal, author of "Songs from the Heights" containing more than 120 lyrics in English has been duly recommended according to the Statutes of the Nobel Foundation for the Nobel Prize in Literature of the year, 1938.

He is also the author of the following books in English:—'Visions from Afar,' 'Sparks from the Heights' and Translation of 'Sri Sri Chaitanya Charitamrita,' 'the Bible of Vaisnavas, into English.'

PUNJAB PAMPHLET PROSCRIBED

LAHORE, March 24.

The Punjab Government have proscribed a pamphlet in English entitled "Judgment of the Lahore High Court in the case of the murder of M. Fakharuddin of Qadian" printed by Mirza Mohammad Sadiq in the Ripon Printing Press, Lahore and published by M. M. A. Baitulquran Qadian on the ground that it contains matter, publication of which is punishable under clause H. of Sub-Section of Section 4 of the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act XXIII, 1931 amended by Section 16 of the Criminal Law Amendment Act XXIII, 1932.—United Press.

Teachers Can Play Dominant Role In Drive Against Illiteracy.

Dr. Syed Mohmud On Need Of Mobilisation Of Students' Energy & Enthusiasm For Country-wide Education Campaign

PATNA, March 21.

The Hon. Dr. Syed Mahmud, Minister of Education and Development of Bihar, has issued the following.

"I am deeply grateful for the encouraging response I have received to the appel that I made to the students the other day. I feel that in this great drive against Ignorance the hearty co-operation and wise guidance of the teaching profession is indispensable. It is but proper that our teachers should lead in giving their students this first lesson in national service by organising and giving them the necessary training for this work.

This crusade against illiteracy, I know, will be a long and arduous one, in which we cannot afford to fritter away our resources and we must, therefore, mobilise the unbounded energy and enthusiasm of the students community and the wisdom and experience of the teachers as well. Let the teachers and students meet and draw up plans for conducting the campaign on a province-wide scale in an organised manner and let the Principals of Colleges, Inspector sand Headmasters of Schools prepare lists of workers and launch this campaign without much further loss of time.

I have no doubt that this service will give a finishing touch to the education which the students have acquired in their class rooms and this will be an excellent preparation for the life which is awaiting them after completing their education; hence, the teachers too should realise that as the custodians of the future hopes of the country their work does not consist merely in imparting theoretical instructions in the class room but in shaping the lives of the students in such a manner that they prove to be better citizens and true servants of the nation.

If the teachers rise equal to the occasion and respond to my appeal and succeed in rousing the social consciousness of the students community and harness it to this great national cause, they will be rendering the greatest national service to our Motherland. I have confidence in the patriotism and devotion of the teachers of this country and would look forward with anticipation for a hearty response to this appeal to extend a helping hand in this project of nation building."—A.P.

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STATISTICS OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE OF PROPOSED UNITS FOR UNIFICATION

The "Samyukta Karnatak" of Hubli publishes the following:—

The following figures sent at the request of the Karnatak Unification Association by Dr. U. Ramarao, President of the Madras Legislative Council and Mr. M. P. Patil, Parliamentary Secretary to the Revenue Minister, Government of Bombay, show that a United Karnatak Province will be surplus Province in respect of its finances:—

Income And Expenditure

1933-1934 FIGURES. (Authorised figures in thousands).

District.	Subvention from Centre.	Revenue from Provincial resources.	Total Income	Expenditure on Central subjects.	Expenditure on Provincial subjects.	Total Expenditure.
Belgaum	140	3,910	4,050	Nil	Nil	3,600
Bijapur	150	2,700	2,850	...	...	2,090
Dharwar	220	4,980	5,200	...	...	3,960
Karwar	40	1,740	1,880	...	...	1,810
Mangalore	159	4,890	5,150	74	2,939	3,013
Bellary	197	3,848	4,045	91	3,169	3,261
Coorg	...	...	1,292	...	...	1,351
Nilgiri	285	1,137	1,423	236	1,648	1,864
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AREA AND POPULATION (1931 CENSUS)

District	Area Sq. Miles	Big Towns and cities	Villages	Total population in thousands.
Belgaum	4,612	7	1,062	1,076
Bijapur	5,710	8	1,120	369
Dharwar	4,606	17	1,260	1,102
Karwar	3,948	7	1,257	417
Mangalore	4,021	7	798	1,372
Bellary	5,713	10	911	969
Coorg	1,582	2	377	163
Nilgiri	982	3	54	169
Total	31,172	61	6,839	6,141
TALUKAS				
Madagshira (Dt. Anantpur)	413	1	57	97
Hosur (Salem)	1,217	1	437	196
Krishnagiri (Salem)	656	2	783	213
Kollegal (Coimbatore)	1,076	1	84	105
Sholapur (Dt. Sholapur)	849	1	150	272

NEED FOR NEW TEXT BOOKS

Not Even One Written Scientifically, Says Bengal Educationist

CALCUTTA, March 22.

"At the time of the selection of books for our pupils I went through over 1,500 books written by various authors for use in our schools," says the Acting Education Officer of Calcutta Corporation in a note to the Education Standing Committee. "I did not find in a single book written scientifically keeping the interests of children in view. Most of these books were written primarily for money-making purposes without any consideration of the requirements of the youngsters entrusted to our care."

NEW SYSTEM

"I, therefore, desire," he adds, "to introduce a new system of writing text books. I propose to divide the year into two periods and again each of these periods to be divided into five sections corresponding to five months that we will have in hand. Each of these sections will again be divided into four parts and each part to represent weeks leaving a short period (of two or three days) for review work so that entire text books will be written in terms of months and weeks in accordance with the pre-arranged and pre-planned school lessons. This method will enable us to check the work being done in different schools at any particular moment. All the schools are supposed to be teaching the same subject in the same week of the year. The progress or rate of progress2 will be uniform all through our schools and can be easily checked. Our students taking transfer from one schools to another at any time of the year will not be subjected to any difficulty in coming with the work of another school as is being experienced to-day."—United Press.

Ajmer Politics

(From Our Correspondent).

AJMER, March 21.

The Ajmer Congress politics are revolving round Baba Narsingh Dass. He is being given "at homes" or rather parting feasts as he has given it out that he is leaving the province for ever and going to Delhi. The first of these parties was given by Syt. Ram Nivas in Beawar and the other one at Ajmer by Mrs. Gauri Shanker Bhargavanji.

DOGS MULTIPLYING.

The dog population is increasing. The people in Ajmer like them.' This was the remark of a local Municipal Commissioner when his attention was drawn towards the danger to the public health. It is a danger, but the Commissioner is not much at fault. People do not agitate in this direction. Ajmer population has little sense of hygiene. If absolute check is not put on the increasing number of this particular species a grave danger threatens Ajmer.

INTERNATIONAL HANDICRAFTS EXHIBITION

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NEW DELHI, March 20.

The International Exhibition of Handicrafts will be held at Berlin from May 28 to June 26, 1938. The provisional agreement consists of the following:—

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For further particulars, individuals and organisations interested in handicrafts may get into touch with the Consul-General for Germany at Calcutta.—United Press.

HAILE SELASSIE TO PAY COSTS

LONDON, March 23.

Mr. Justice Bennet in the Chancery Division held that he had no jurisdiction to decide the question. He stayed proceedings and has ordered Haile Selassie to pay the costs of the action.—Reuter.

A London message dated the 2nd instant stated:—

A thorny problem involving the degree of British recognition of the Italian Government of Ethiopia was faced in a High Court action by Haile Selassie against Cables and Wireless Limited to draw a sum due from the letter in connection with the wireless service between Britain and Ethiopia.

The Italian Government claimed the money, and according to counsel and company had had the unfortunate experience of having to pay two people.

In order to assist the Court, it was required that certain questions be answered by the Foreign Office. In reply, it was stated that the British Government recognised the Italian Government as Government 'de facto' of part of Ethiopia, which they control, and as Italy now controls virtually the whole of the country Government recognise Italy as Government 'de facto' of the whole of Ethiopia.

Mr. K. A. Parelkar who passed his final Examination of the Royal Institute of British Architects

USE OF SEC. 401 PREROGATIVE

Protest Against C. P. Law Minister's Action

NAGPUR, March 24.

A demonstration was staged today by about 3,000 people including 400 women, some of whom carried Black Flags and placards criticising the Law Minister, demanding his resignation and attacking Congress Ministry. They protested against the release of Zafar Hussain, whose sentence of three years was reduced to one year by the Law Minister in exercise of the powers under Sec. 401 Cr. P. C. Zafar Hussain had been convicted and sentenced on a charge of criminal assault on a minor Harijan girl of Wardha.

IN ASSEMBLY HALL.

The demonstrators after marching through the City neared the Assembly Chamber, while the House was engaged in discussing supplementary demands. The processionists attempted to enter the Chamber but the police stopped them at the gate. A large section then moved to the open space nearby and squatted, but some members of the procession crossed the railing and managed to enter the Assembly Hall. They were soon cleared by the police authorities, the District Magistrate and the D. S. P. being present to control the situation.

As soon as the processionists approached the gate a number of M.L.A's. were seen leaving the Chamber and going out to see the demonstrators. They returned a little later and resumed their seats.

Five representatives on behalf of the demonstrators were, however, allowed to sit in the Premier's room for sometime as the Premier was busy piloting a Bill to amend the C. P. Prisons Act and could not immediately meet these representatives of the processionists, among whom were three women including Mrs. Annusuyabai Kale (representing Nagpur Women).

DEMONSTRATORS' DEMAND.

It is understood that the deputationists demanded that the Law Minister should be asked to resign and wanted an assurance that clemency would not be exercised in future by Government in cases involving "moral turpitude." It was further urged that the Ministry should submit to the Congress Working Committee the demands voiced by the demonstrators today for the resignation of the Law Minister.

PREMIER'S REPLY.

Premier Dr. Khare in reply detailed the circumstances in which Zafar Hussain had been released and the considerations that weighed in showing clemency in this particular case. He agreed that there could be two opinions on the question of clemency in this case but assured all that the Law Minister had passed the order in the ordinary course in exercise of the powers conferred by Sec. 401 Cr P. C.

As for the demand that he should forward their demand to the Congress Cabinet, the Premier appears to have said the Assembly Congress Party after full consideration at its meeting yesterday had arrived at certain decisions on this question, which would be forwarded to the Congress Working Committee. He was unable to send their demand to the Committee, which he said had been appraised of the situation.

The Premier added that he was prepared to address a women's meeting in the Assembly precincts but refused to address demonstrators outside as he apprehended deliberate creation of disturbance by rowdy elements.

What transpired at these talks was later explained to the demonstrators outside by the spokesmen. The crowd then dispersed peacefully. To-day's demonstration was a sequel to a public meeting last night at the Town Hall and a resolution criticising the Ministry on the release of Zafar Hussain was adopted. The Hindu Sabha workers took a prominent part in to-day's demonstration.—A. P.

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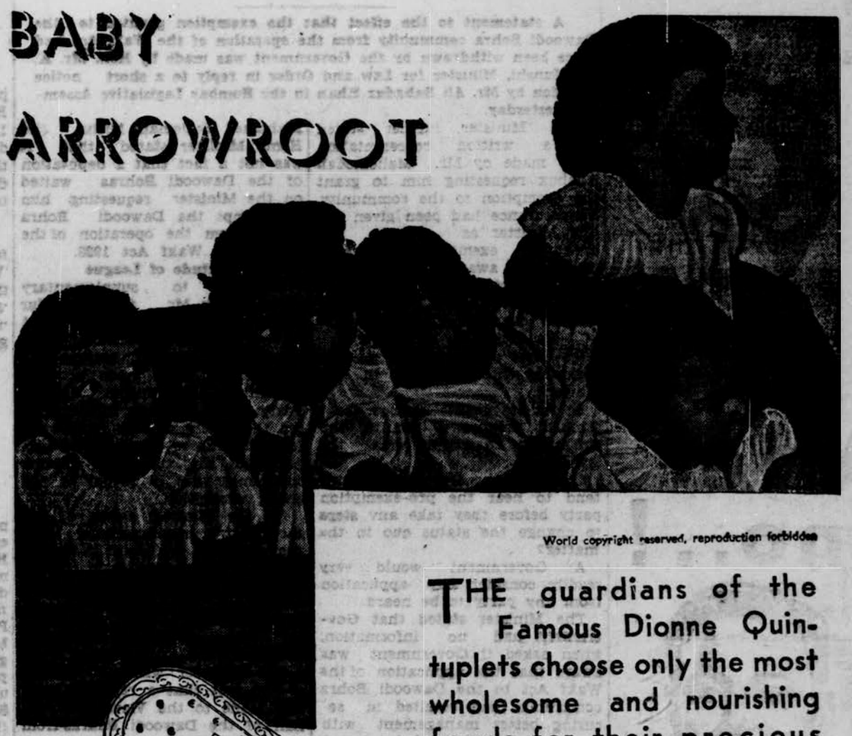

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REFORMATION OF JUVENILES

Governor On Good Work Of David Sassoon Industrial School

Sir Roger Lumley, Governor of Bombay in the course of speech at the annual prize distribution of the David Sassoon Industrial School on Thursday said:

On looking into the history of the School I find that your institution goes back to the year 1843, when what was known as a ragged school" was established as "an asylum for orphans and vagrants". The objects of the school were "the reformation of juvenile offenders and the encouragement of apprenticeship." Many chang[illegible]ve taken place during the [illegible]ning 95 years, but it is [illegible] to find that the objects [illegible]ol remain unchang[illegible]dom of your predecessors in linking reformation with apprenticeship has stood the test of the years and there can be no room for doubt that the future will provide further justification for your policy.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Stringent Money Conditions

STEADY TENDENCY IN SECURITIES

Good Demand For Gold

WEEKLY MARKET REVIEWS

(From Our Special Correspondent)

BOMBAY, March 25

MONEY

Stringent conditions characterised the money market during the period under report and call funds were quoted at 2-1/4 per cent. However, maturities of Rs. 2 crores of Treasury Bills coupled with the sale of £2 million sterling to Government should tend to relieve the tension in the market. The statement of the Imperial Bank of India made up to 18th March reveals no important changes under the item "Advances", while "Fixed Deposits" show an advance of Rs. 102 lacs over the last week. The Reserve Bank statement of the same date shows that the "Bank Deposits" with the Reserve Bank have increased by Rs. 201 lacs. Tenders to Government for three months Treasury Bills amounted to Rs. 1,97,25,000 of which Rs. 1 crore were accepted at an average rate of Rs. 1-9-9 per cent. per annum. Term money rates were also firm, 3 to 6 months being quoted at 2 per cent.

GILT-EDGED

Prices in the gilt-edged market varied according to the European political developments, but the tendency, on the whole, was steadier. 3½ per cent. Rupee Paper, which had dropped down to Rs. 95-12, advanced to Rs. 98 on Tuesday and later moved within a narrow range and finally closed at Rs. 97-12. Bear covering and an improvement in the quotation for 3-1/2 per cent. India Sterling Stock in London from £89 to £90-1/2 accounted for this situation. All other scrips were firm; 2-3/4 per cent. 1948-52 loan was quoted at Rs. 105-5, 3 per cent. 1941 bonds at Rs. 103 and 3 per cent. 1951-54 loan at Rs. 102-6. 3-1/2 per cent. 1947-50 loan improved from Rs. 105-8 to Rs. 105-14 4 per cent. 1960-70 loan from Rs. 113-8 to Rs. 113-15 and 5 per cent. 1945-55 (tax-free) loan from Rs. 118 to Rs. 118-6. 4-1/2 per cent. 1955-60 loan was virtually unchanged throughout around Rs. 118-8. 3 per cent. 1943 bonds around Rs. 108 and 5 per cent. 1939-44 loan around Rs. 104. 5-1/2 per cent. 1938-40 loan finished at Rs. 102 and 5 per cent. 1940-43 at Rs. 107.

EXCHANGE

Sterling exchange was very steady as a result of the existing stringency in the money market, sellers of spot T.T. quoting 1s. 6-7/64d. with few buyers at 1s. 6-9/64d. There has been a fair amount of reselling on outstanding gold contracts and this may tend to make sterling exchange a little easier. Sterling tenders to Government amounted to £41,550,000 at 1s. 6-1/8d. of which only £2 million were accepted, the allotment being 5 per cent.

Foreign exchanges in the London market continued to move in an erratic fashion during the week, political developments being responsible for the frequent changes. The dollar, on the whole, remained firm, the London/New York cross-rate touched the low of 495.00 cents on Saturday at which level there was a temporary spurt to 497.37 cents. Towards the close, the rate rallied to 496.06 cents. The premium on three months' forward dollars was almost unaltered around 0.82 cents throughout. The franc was the more erratic of the two currencies and tended to depreciate in terms of sterling The sterling/franc rate, after opening at frs. 161.12, gradually advanced to frs. 164.31 but reacted and closed at frs. 162.18. The discount on three months' position widened from frs. 3.810 to frs. 4.500 mid-week, but narrowed and closed at frs. 4.060. Other currencies, however, were comparatively stable; the guilder oscillated between 8.98 and 8.97-3/16, the belga between 52-3/4 and 29.43-1/2 and the Italian lira between 94.45 and 94.12.

GOLD

There was good demand for gold in the London market following European political situation and the price of the metal advanced from 140s. ½d. to 140s. 5-1/2d. mid-week. On the easing of the situation, however, the price declined to 139s. 11½d. on Monday and thereafter ruled fairly steady around 140s. 1-1/2d. The local market closely followed the trend of the London quotation and the price of ready advanced from Rs. 34-12 to Rs. 34-14. During the latter part of the week, the market was slightly easier and the quotation for ready declined to Rs. 34-12-0. The prices in the local market ruled well above parity for most part resulting into considerable resales by banks against outstanding contracts. The quotation for end of April settlement was about one anna under spot, but business for forward was comparatively small. The premium on gold in London over the dollar arbitrage parity ranged between 1/2d. and 1-1/2d. throughout. The demand for sovereigns was moderate and the price advanced in sympathy with gold to Rs. 22-13-3, but declined at the close to Rs. 22-12-3 both for spot and forward. Stocks on hand are estimated at about 75,000 tolas, arrivals from upcountry at 10,000 tolas and the daily offtake at about 1,000 tolas. Last week's shipment of gold to London per s.s. Ranchi is valued at Rs. 8.95 lacs, while imports amounted to Rs. 1,27,145 in gold bullion and coins. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week are: Rs. 34-14 and Rs. 34-8-6 for spot and Beginning of April settlement, Rs. 34-13 and Rs. 34-9-3 for End of April settlement and Rs. 34-11-3 and Rs. 34-9-0 for May settlement

SILVER

Silver was steady during the early part of the week in sympathy with foreign advices. Towards the close, however, the market ruled quieter in absence of buyers. The turnover was comparatively small during this period. The quotation for spot, after opening at Rs. 51-8, steadily advanced to Rs. 51-15 on Saturday. Later, however, the quotation gradually declined to Rs. 51-1 and closed at Rs. 51-6-0. The quotation in London, after remaining firm at 2d-9/16d. earlier in the week, gradually declined to 20-5/16d., but improved and closed at 20-3/8d. while two months' forward delivery moved between 20-1/8d. and 20d. Stocks of silver have dwindled down to 5,500 bars owing to absence of any fresh imports, while the offtake is about unchanged at 50 bars a day. Silver coins to the value of Rs. 19,901 were imported during the week. Silver worth £3,700 arrived yesterday per s.s. Mooltan, while £11,300 worth of silver is en route to Bombay. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week are: Rs. 51-15 and Rs. 51-6 for spot, Rs. 51-15 and Rs. 51-1 for Beginning of April, Rs. 52-0-6 and Rs. 51-2-6 for End of April and 51-10 and Rs. 51-4 for May settlement.

SHARES

The local stock exchange was steady at the opening on reports of the acceleration of the armament programme in Europe, but the enthusiasm proved to the temporary and prices gave way towards the close on selling pressure. Steel shares suffered a moderate setback, Tata Defds. declined from the high of Rs. 1190 to Rs. 1090 on continuous liquidation, but scored a sharp rally at the close to Rs. 1107-8. Ordys likewise declined from the previous level of Rs. 263-8 to as low as Rs. 248 at the close. Mill shares were also easy in sympathy; Bombay Dyeings gradually lost ground from Rs. 946-4 to Rs. 906-4, while Centuries lost about 10 points from Rs. 268-12 to Rs. 258-12. Central Indias were no exception, the quotation declining from Rs. 271-4 at the start to as low as Rs. 255 at the end. Gokaks were offered at Rs. 171-4 and Kohinoors at Rs. 308-12. In the Hydro-electric section, Andhra Valleys dropped from Rs. 1460 to Rs. 1450, Bombay Trams from Rs. 120 to Rs. 119-11, while Tata Hydros were done at Rs. 145xd and Powers at Rs. 1365. Bank and Railway shares were also easier in sympathy with steadier money condition; Bank of Indias declining from Rs. 145 to Rs. 144 and Imperial Bank Fully Paids from Rs. 1565 to Rs. 1555. In the miscellaneous section, Associated Cements were weak and declined to Rs. 120-12 at the end, while Belapurs changed hands at Rs. 161-4. Bombay Burmas lost well nigh 50 points to Rs. 596-4. Scindia Steams moved narrowly between Rs. 20-14 and Rs. 20-4, while New Indias were virtually unchanged at Rs. 39.

CALCUTTA: In the Calcutta Stock Exchange, the price of hessians for forward delivery, opening at Rs. 6-15, declined slightly to Rs. 6-14, and closed unchanged. Jute shares ruled dull almost throughout and the turnover was very meagre.

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ACCUMULATION OF YARN STOCKS

Market Unsettled

Bombay, March 23.

Reports of political situation in Europe have dominated almost all the markets in the whole of India including the local yarn market which has remained unsettled and uncertain. Prices have fluctuated rather heavily without any particular tendency and at the close the undertone has remained distinctly easy. Cotton markets everywhere in the world have declined further and this has considerably influenced the yarn markets adversely. Demand from consuming centres has owindled down and as usual in declining markets buyers have been rather scarce. Dealers have been constantly complaining of accumulation of stocks and the pressure from local Spinners to take deliveries of the contracted goods. As regards Export markets there have been some scattered enquiries and most of them are in the nature of testing prices. No fresh sales of importance have been possible during the week. The future tendency of the market is distinctly uncertain.

ENGLISH YARNS.

Inspite of reports from Manchester that the Trade is not satisfacory prices quoted by the Manchester Spinners are yet very steady and much higher compared with prices of Japanese and Indian yarns of similar counts and qualities. No fresh forward business has been therefore possible during the week.

JAPANESE AND SHANGHAI YARNS

Prices have remained almost unchanged during the week with an uncertain tendency at the close. In case of Mercerised yarns demand from consuming centres is very restricted inspite of the apparently low level of prices. Speculative turnover during the week in forward deliveries has been very restricted and prices have fluctuated within a narrow range. In case of cotton yarns single as well as twofold, demand has continued to remain very moderate. Fresh forward business of importance with Japan has not been possible on account of much higher prices quoted by Japanese Spinners in many cases. Exchange has remained unchanged whereas Sampin has been fluctuating in sympathy with American cotton prices.

ARTIFICIAL SILK YARNS.

The Italian Syndicate have reduced half an anna per lb in 150 C and 120 C dull lustred yarn during the week. A very satisfactory demand for Japanese yarns has continued from almost all consuming centres and prices have shown a tendency to improve further. Turnover has increased and scarcity in many cases is being felt. Arrivals by incoming steamers from Japan are very limited and as most of the weakholders have now finished their holdings, buyers have been compelled to pay higher prices. Very encouraging reports have been received from Northern as well as Southern markets about further improvement in demand both for artificial silk yarns as well as for cloth produced by handloom weavers. There have been increased sales of Italian yarns during the week particularly in bright lustred yarns which have attracted the attention of the buyers both in the local markets as well as in upcountry markets. In case of Japanese yarns fresh forward business has been particularly nil on account of much higher prices quoted by the Japanese Spinners. The future tendency continues to remain still more hopeful.

LOCAL YARN.

Continued weakness in cotton prices have unsettled the yarn markets and dealers have been losing confidence in present level of prices particularly owing to absence of satisfactory demand from consuming centres. Turnover on the Bombay Yarn Exchange Ltd., has been again restricted on account of the political situation in Europe and resultant nervousness in yarn markets of India. Offtake in coarse counts has been comparatively much more unsatisfactory whereas in finer counts such as 40s and upwards enquiries have been plentiful on account of scarcity of goods. The future tendency is still easy.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ending on the 18th day of March, 1938.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	24,47,12,000
Notes in circulation:—	
(a) Legal Tender in India	180,78,82,000
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	8,18,49,000
Total Notes issued	213,44,43,000
Total Liabilities	213,44,43,000
ASSETS	**Rs.**
A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	41,54,53,000
(b) Held outside India	2,86,98,000
Sterling Securities	78,80,70,000
Total of A	123,22,21,000
B. Rupee Coin	62,82,98,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	27,39,24,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial Paper	...
Total Assets	213,44,43,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 57.73 per cent.

Statement of the affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 18th March, 1938.

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government	15,76,12,000
(b) Banks	14,93,65,000
(c) Others	53,96,000
Bills Payable	10,16,000
Other Liabilities	66,47,000
Rupees	42,00,36,000

*Includes £158,900 held in London on account of the High Commissioner converted at 1s. 6d. to the rupee.

ASSETS	Rs.
Notes:—	
(a) Legal Tender in India	24,47,06,000
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	6,000
Rupee Coin	6,63,000
Subsidiary Coin	4,04,000
Bills Discounted:	
(a) Internal	...
(b) External	...
(c) Government of India Treasury Bills	1,02,50,000
Balances held abroad x	9,06,76,000
Loans and Advances to the Government	...
Other Loans and Advances	1,00,000
Investments	6,71,55,000
Other Assets	60,76,000
Rupees	42,00,36,000

x Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

LONDON RUBBER.

London March 24.

Smoked Sheets standard ribbed per lb. sellers 6 5/16

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New York, March 24.

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Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON SIX POINTS UP

No Special Feature In London Silver

UPWARD TREND IN LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Chicago Wheat Active

BOMBAY, March 25

NEW YORK COTTON

Displayed better tendency to-day prompted by favourable comments on premier's speech and also due to Liverpool advices but there was no fresh support.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Market ruled firm and developed considerable strength. General trend was decidedly upward.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Prices improved on local buying influenced by Liverpool and higher Australian offers.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MAY 1938.

New Rork, March 25

Previous closing	8.61
To-day's opening	8.65
Difference	+.04
To-day's closing	8.67
Difference	+06

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MAY 1938.

Liverpool, March 25

Previous closing	4.82
To-day's opening	4.83
Difference	+01
To-day's closing	4.88
Difference	+06

BROACH EXPECTATION

New April May ..... Rs. 165-4

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, March 25

New York cotton displayed better sentiment to-day prompted by favourable comments on premier's speech and also due to strength of Liverpool but fresh buying was lacking with traders later hesitant.

Trading in May commenced at 8.65 i.e. four points higher than previous closing prices advanced on higher Liverpool cables and scattered trade price fixing while later market rose further on renewed buying activity influenced by strength of foreign markets with price improving to 8.72.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 25

The following were the opening ranges:—

May (8.66/8.65) 8.65/8.65
July (8.73/8.73) 8.74/8.73
October (8.77/8.76) 8.81/8.80

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, March 25

January (4.80) 4.82
March (4.83) 4.85
January (6.75) 6.74
March (6.69) 6.68

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, March 25

Trading in Broach opened at Rs. 164/10. Market improved on prominent operator buying but with appearance of some liquidation prices partially gave way however later price rallied to Rs. 165 on some support and finally further improved on fresh buying support emboldened by higher New York closed steady at Rs. 166/12.

COMMODITIES

LONDON MARKETS

London, March 25

The rates at 2-30 p.m. were as follows:—

TEA

Indian Pekoe (1-1) 1-1
Indian Pekoe higher (1-6) 1-6
Ceylon Pekoe (1-2) 1-2
Ceylon Pekoe higher (2-1) 2-1

JUTE

First marks C.I.F. Continent New Crop (18 5/16 sellers) 18 1/4 paid sellers
Dundee March (£20 3/4) £20 3/4
Lightning March (£19 3/4) £19 3/4

RUBBER

Spot (6 3/8 value) 6 3/8 value
Forward July September (6 7/16 paid buyers) 6 1/2 paid sellers

LINSEED

Castorseed Bombay March April (£11 7/8 sellers) £11 7/8 sellers
Linseed Calcutta March (£13 1/2 sellers) £13 7/16 sellers
Linseed La Plata March (£12 1/8 sellers) £12 1/8 sellers
Groundnuts Coromandal April £10 3/16 sellers) £10 1/4 sellers

METALS

LONDON METALS

London, March 25

Tin (£183 1/2 buyers £184 sellers. Easier.) £184 3/8 buyers £184 5/8 sellers. Steady.

Lead (£16 1/16 buyers £16 3/16 sellers. Easy) £16 1/4 buyers £16 3/8 sellers. Steady

Electric Copper (£43 to £44) £43 1/4 to £44 1/8

Iron (£3[illegible]) £92

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES

T. T. New York On London

New York, March 25

Previous closing	4.96 1/16
To-day's opening	4.96 1/16
At the time of New York cotton closing	4.96 11/16

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, March 25

Previous closing	4.96.12
To-day's opening	4.96.12
To-day's closing	4.95.87

FRANC RATE

London, March 25

Previous closing	162.18
To-day's opening	162.87
To-day's closing	163.37

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, March 25

London exchanges opened with sterling dollar at 4.96.12 and then moved up to 4.96.18 on scattered support rate subsequently moving slowly.

Franc opened at 162.87 and then improved to 162.56 on good support influenced by better political developments.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6 1/8) 1-6 1/8
Paris on Bombay (12.240) 12.240
New York on Bombay (37.53) 37.48
Berlin on Bombay (0.93 3/8) 0.93 3/8
London on Milan (94.30) 94.27
London on Shanghai (1-2 sellers) 1-2 1/8 sellers
London on Kobe (1-1 15/16) 1-2 sellers

DISCOUNTS

3 months (9/16 to 5/8 per cent) 9/16 to 5/8 per cent.
4 months (9/16 per cent to 5/8 per cent) 9/16 per cent to 5/8 per cent.
6 months (5/8 per cent to 11/16 per cent) 5/8 per cent to 11/16 per cent.

BULLION

SILVER CABLES

Bombay, March 25

The following cable information was received from London:—

"No special features. Small business Market steady."

LONDON SILVER

London, March 25

Spot	(20 3/8d.) 20 3/8d.
Forward	(20 1/8d.) 20 1/8d.

LONDON GOLD

London, March 25

London Gold Fine per ounce (£7-0-1 1/2) £7-0-2

BOMBAY BULLION

Bombay, March 25

10 p.m. quotations:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Silver ready	51	7	6
Silver Chaitra	51	8	6
Silver Vaishakh	51	9	6
Gold ready	34	13	0
Gold Chaitra	34	12	0
Gold Vaishakh	34	11	6
Sovereign	22	12	3

WHEAT

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, March 25

Liverpool wheat opened firm with May at 6/1 and July at 8/1. The market developed considerable strength following better overseas cables and increasing interest in Australian cargoes with trend generally upward.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, March 25

Chicago wheat opened steady with May at 0.87. Prices improved on scattered local buying influenced by strength of Liverpool and higher Australian offers with price later rising to 0.87 1/4.

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotation

Bombay, March 25

10 p.m. quotations—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Wheat May	4	6	6
Wheat September	4	7	0
Linseed May	7	8	3
Linseed September	7	10	3

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Closing Quotation

Liverpool, March 25

Liverpool wheat market closed to-day at March 6/ 1/2

3½ P. C. GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotations

Bombay, March 25

The 3 1/2 per cent Government paper closed finally at Rs. 97-13-0 at 5 p.m.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Opening	97	13	0
Highest	0	0	0
Lowest	97	11	0
Closing	97	11	0

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, March 25

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at 90 1/2

INDIAN LOANS

London, March 25

2-30 p.m

3 per cent Indian (£38 1/2) £38 3/4
3 1/2 per cent Indian (£90 1/2) £91
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£112 1/2) £112 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Indian 1958-68 (£116) £116
4 per cent Indian 1948-68 (£108) £107 3/4
5 per cen Indian 1942-47 (£111 1/2) £111 1/2
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1954-59 (£103 1/2) £103 1/2

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent Australian Loan 1945/70 (£107 3/4) £107 5/8

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£73 3/4) £74
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£100 5/8) £100 3/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£105 7/8) £106
5 per cent Funding Loan (£113) £111 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£101 5/8) £101 3/4 ex dividend
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£109 3/8) £109 3/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 25

London Stock Exchange after displaying some steadiness turned dull and featureless. Giltedged securities were in better demand. Three and half quoted at 91 i.e. ten shillings higher than previous closing

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (13-3) 13-3
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 48-9) 49-4 1/2
Hydro Electric (3 7/8) 3 7/8
Elec Music Industry (12-10 1/2) 12-10 1/2
Pinchin Johnson (23-9) 23-9
Imperial Chemical (29-10 1/2) 30-4 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (61-6) 61-6
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£28 1/2) £29

Dunlop Rubber (27-6) 27-6
Unilever Ordinary (36-1 1/2) 35-4 1/2
Ford Motors (21-0) 21-0
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£60) £60
British American Tobacco Ordinary (£95) £96-3
Carreas 'A' (£6 3/4) £6 3/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (135) 135
P. and O. S. N. Company Deferred (26-6) 26-6
Distillers (92-6) 92-6
Bradfords Dyers (4-6) 4-6
British Celanese (4-0) 4-0
J and P Coates Ordinary (36-10 1/2) 37-3
Courtaulds Ordinary (38-6) 39-6
Fine Cotton Spinners (4-7 1/2) 4-7 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary (21-7 1/2) 22-1 1/2
Inter Nickels (47 3/4) 47 1/4
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (45) 45
Tata Steel Debenture (£104) £104

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (18-3) 18-3
Donaro Tea (40) 40
Empire of India (27-6) 27-6

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (22-6) 22-6
Gula Kelampong (21-3) 21-3
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (21-10 1/2) 21-6

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£9) £9

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (40) 40
Burma Corporation (10-3) 10-3
Rio Tintos (£14 3/8) £14 1/4
East Rand Proprietors (53-9) 53-1 1/2
Rand Mines (£8 1/4) £8 1/8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£15 1/8) £15 1/8
Associated Portlands (72-6) 73-9
Trinidad Leaseholds (91-10 1/2) 88-9
Sub Nigel (£9 3/4) £9 3/4
Spring Mines Split Shares (27-6) 27-6
Union Corporation (£7 1/2) £7 1/2

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (23-9) 23-9
Anglo Iranian (71-10 1/2) 71-10 1/2
Burma Oil (103-1 1/2) 103-1 1/2
Mexican Eagle (4-4 1/2) 4-4 1/2
Shell Transport (85) 82-6
Royal Dutch (£36 1/2) £36 1/8

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, March 25

To-day's opening rates were as follows:—

U S Steel Common (dol 48 7/8) dol 47 1/2
General Motors (dol 31 1/4) dol 30 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 29 5/8) dol 28 1/8
U S Steel Preference (dol 98 3/4) dol 100

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Czechoslovaks Firmer; Franc Weakens

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, March 25

The Stock Exchange was very quiet but generally fully maintained.

Operators eagerly discussed Mr. Chamberlain's speech mostly considering that the stock market outlook was not materially changed as a result of the statement.

Giltedged securities were without quotable alteration.

Industrials were steady.

Czechoslovaks were firmer owing to the Sinking Fund purchases.

Oils were lower.

Commodities: Rubber firmer in sympathy with New York and eastern advices.

Foreign Exchanges: Franc weakened on reports of renewed labour unrest.

Wall Street opened easy and then was steadier.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET

Speculative Stocks Steady

CALCUTTA, March 25.

Jutes ruled slightly easier and transactions were also very much limited. Coals were quieter and business reported was at lower levels. In teas only a limited business was put through. In miscellaneous Indian irons and other speculative stocks were a little bit steadier, while others remained more or less unchanged. Government Securities were steady. The following were the closing quotations:—

Government Securities: 3 per cent. Government Paper 89/12 small lot; 3½ per cent. G. P. 97/12; 5½ per cent. Loan 1938/40 101/14 small lot; 3 per cent. U. P. 1961/66 98/8.

Banks:—Ballygunge 105 small lot; Imperial fully paid 1,563 small lot; Punjab National Bank fully paid 95 ex-div. Reserve Bank 117.

Railway:—Burdwan Cutwa Railway 89.

Cottons:—Cawnpore Textiles 4/2; Kesoram 7/8.

Coals:—Aldih 3/3; Amalgamated 23/10; Bengal 305; Bhulanbararee 9; Dhemo Main 10; East Indian 23/4; Equitable 34/10; Ghusick and Muslia 3/3; Hurriladih 13; Mundulpoor 7/8; New Beerbhoom 18/2; Panch Valley 34/12 small lot; Union 20/4; Standard 32/4; South Karanpura 4/9; Talcher 1/6; West Jamuria 26/10.

Jutes:—Anglo-India 278; Bally pref. 130 small lot; Budge Budge 238/8 small lot; Craig Annas 12; Hooghly 42; Howrah 46; Hukumchand 7; Kamarhatty 453; Kanknarrah 347.

Miscellaneous:—Burma Corporation 6/12; Consolidated Tin 5/6; Indian Copper 2/6; Rhodesia Copper 1/13; Tavoy tin 1/13; Dalmia Cement ordy. 9/1; Braithwaite and Co., 6/4; Indian Iron 29; Indian Malleable Casting ordy. 6; Indian Standard Wagon ordy. 45; Kumardhubi Engineering ordy. 2/12; Marshalls 1/4; Concord of India 6 Premium; Britannia Biscuits ordy. 5/14; British India Corporation ordy. 3/8; Dunlop Rubber ordy. 13/8 small odd lot; British Ceylon Corporation 5/14; Bengal Paper 95/8; Titaghur Paper B ordy. 18/4; India General Navigation ordy. 105; Bharat 8/4; Carew and Co., 12/12 C Right; Murree Brewery 13 small lots; Raza 11/2; Ryan 16/12.

Teas:—Dhunseri ordy. 3; Dimakusi 23/12; Kaliti 10/8; Hattikhira 20/14; Rajnagar 6/12; Rutema 9; Sapoi 9/4.

Debentures:—3 per cent. 1937/51 Calcutta Improvement Trust 98/12 small odd lot; 3-1/4 per cent. 1956/66 Howrahbridge 102/8; small lots; five and quarter per cent. 1938/50 Rohtas Industries 100/4.—A. P.

Produce Receipts

Bombay, March 25

Wheat	13,205	cwts.
Linseed	12,403	cwts.
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	448	cwts.
Gingellyseed	1,031	cwts.
Groundnuts	5,697	cwts.
Castorseed	923	cwts.
Rice	28,837	cwts.
Myrabollams	170	cwts.
Gram	553	cwts.
Cottonseed	11,600	cwts.
Joowar	374	cwts.
Barley	21	cwts.
Bajree	765	cwts.
Indian sugar	9,082	cwts.

THE RAPACIOUS SOWCAR

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ry nor threats can extract any more from his victim, that he has recourse to a law-court.

The Suit and After.

He then files a suit without giving credit for payments made, for which he has taken care not to issue any receipts. But even after entering law-courts the exercise of the money-lenders' undue influence does not cease. With honeyed words, he once more offers to safeguard his victim's "honour" by making it unnecessary for the latter to undergo the "shame" of attending Court. "Why should you humiliate yourself by appearing in Court as a defendant? I shall agree to your paying the decree amount by easy instalments." And the willy creature gets his victim to sign a paper expressing his consent to a decree and to payment of the amount by stated instalments. Thus at one stroke, the money-lender removes the chance of a contest by the debtor, which might result in a reduction of the amount claimed and he also poses as the upholder of the "honour" of his deluded victim. The deluded victim moreover thanks him for saving the expense of retaining a pleader! If the Court does not see through the game, it passes a decree in terms of the consent endorsed in the writing. In some cases, even the expenses of retaining the defendant's pleader to admit the claim on behalf of defendant are obligingly paid by the plaintiff-money-lender!

The Middle Course.

Nor does the game end even here. Thereafter, the decree-holder further "obliges" his victim by consenting to receive the instalments as decreed at his own pedhi, to "save the defendant the trouble of attending Court"! Thus whatever instalments are paid out of Court may or may not be acknowledged by receipts to the debtor nor credited and certified to the Court. This game goes on for about a year after which the poor deluded defendant is suddenly faced with execution proceedings. Then only he raises his voice in protest in Court and says that he blindly trusted his creditor. But the Court, however, much it may have believed in such trust before the suit, thinks it incredible after decree. He has then to pay the penalty for his foolishness by paying the sums over again in Court. Hundreds of such instances come before the Court every year. Each side vehemently swears to the truth of his own allegations. What are the Courts to do in their perplexity but to steer a middle course? All judgment debtors do not or may not have paid as asserted by them. To take their uncorroborated words as true would be as great a hardship on an honest decree-holder as to trust entirely the word of the latter and follow mere presumptions of law. The decisions of the Court in such cases have to be given at a venture. To penalise either party on such mere probabilities would work great hardships. The Courts cut the Gordian knot by arriving at some middle course!

The Moral.

But the moral of the money-lending business is plain. Once a person falls into the hands of the Sowcars, the fate of every debtor, whether literate or illiterate, has been as described above. If anything, my experience shows that the educated ones are the greater victims of sowcars than the illiterates, because they have a higher status to maintain in public and fight shy of figuring in courts as defendants. They are also too nervous about disclosing their indebtedness before their friends or office superiors, hence they are more under the thumb of their creditors who can extort from them any terms they please. It is this terror of even the literate debtor, of exposure by his creditors, and the consequent secret understanding between them, that combine to defeat every attempt of well-intentioned legislators. There are innumerable cases of indebtedness which never come to the Courts at all, in which the debtors pay and suffer silently, very often to the great prejudice of the public services in which they are employed. For it is not merely the agriculturists that are indebted, but we find highly placed officers in the Post, Telegraph, Railway, Municipal and Newspaper offices and other services who are all in the grip of the money-lender! Their indebtedness grows day by day. Each time they borrow more in order to pay off a smaller previous debt. Their indebtedness will end only in the Insolvency Court and possible dismissal by unsympathetic superiors, or—in suicide from sheer despair! Sometimes an ugly turn manifests itself when the victim is tempted to misappropriate public funds in his charge! And all this because, there is no properly guided legislation to prevent reckless borrowing and lending, as a corollary to over-bearing social conditions!

Defects in the Bill.

Now the Sections 37 and 39 of the Bill are aimed at the abuses of money-lending by providing penalties for contravention of the provisions of the Bill. But both these sections are "easier to enact than to enforce"! They do not go any further than the existing law in that respect. To attempt to obtain a decree for a larger sum than is actually due is already an offence under Section 210 of the Indian Penal Code and is punishable with a heavier sentence than is provided under either of these sections. Further Section 26 of the Presidency Small Causes Courts Act empowers the Court to award compensation to a defendant in case of a vexatious suit, when the suit is either dismissed or decreed for a smaler sum than claimed. Is the punishment under Section 37 (2) of the Bill, in addition to or in substitution for that provided in the Indian Penal Code? The Bill does not say. The whole difficulty in working Section 37 lies in adducing proof of the allegations made in court by defendants. At present the Courts often meet with the queerest defences and have to steer their course trusting blindly to chance and to their innate sense of justice. Will such blind conclusions arrived at after searching in a forest of probabilities justify any Court in convicting any party under Section 37? I think not! In the absence of definite proof or of any sure provision of law to enable the Court to find out what sum was actually lent, such a Section is no advance upon present existing legislation which confronts the judges with similar perplexities. Further the Bill does not provide for adequate safeguards against the abuse of the penal provisions by requiring a Court to sanction a prosecution thereunder.

The overhauling of the business of money-lending requires to be tackled more firmly by imposing checks at the very commencement of the relations between a lender and a borrower. In my humble opinion these checks should be made thorough, without any chance of being circumvented. Any legislation is futile if it cannot achieve this end.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, March 25

Scindia S Nvg ss El Madina of 1628 reg tons, Captain L J Evans arrived from Jeddah via Karachi with pilgrims and general cargo.

F F Campbell ss City of Khios of 3537 reg tons, Captain E C Wilson arrived from Baltimore via New York, St. John Oran, Alexandria, Port Said, Aden and Karachi with general cargo.

B I S N ss Gairsoppa of 3227 reg tons, Captain R R Marsh arrived from Moulmain via Rangoon, Galle, Colombo, Malabar Coast Ports and Tellicherry with rice, timber and general cargo.

O S Kaisha ss Himalaya Maru of 3187 reg tons, Captain G Kawamata arrived from Karachi with cotton and general cargo.

P and O S N ss Mooltan of 12823 reg ons, Captain C B Roche arrived from London via Tangier, Gibraltar, Marseilles, Port Said, Suez and Aden with passengers and general cargo.

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 25-3-38.

S S Pundit (T M) for Tuticorin, Colombo and Rangoon.

SAILED

L Edwards ss Tungsha of 3391 reg tons, Captain H Bjonness sailed for Colombo, Madras, and Calcutta with passengers local and same bottom cargo.

T Morrison ss Akbar of 2479 reg tons, Captain H Morjni sailed for Calcutta in water ballast.

Burmah Shell Oil S and D ss Badarpur of 4949 reg tons, Captain A R Perryshaw sailed for Rangoon with local cargo.

P and O S N ss Mooltan of 12823 reg tons, Captain C B Roche sailed for Sydney via Colombo and Australian Ports with passengers, local and same bottom cargo.

B I S N ss Varela of 1926 reg tons, Captain A Danbrook sailed for Basra via Karachi and Persian Gulf Ports with passengers and local cargo.

Scindia Steam Nvg ss Jalabala of 2211 reg tons, Captain H MacMillan sailed for Karachi with same bottom cargo.

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

Alexandra Dock

Bombay, March 25

1 City of Khios 3537 N F, N F, F F Campbell
4 Tungsha 3391 Colombo 25-3 L Edwards.
5 Clan Matheson 3453 Verawal 24-3 J Finlay
11 California 9930 Liverpool 31-3 Anchor Line
13 British Architect 4394 Abadan 26-3 Anglo I. Oil
14 Mauly 3418 Genoa 28-3 L Triestino
15 Himalaya Maru 3187 Japan 29-3 O S K Kaisha
17 Takliwa 3742 Durban 30-3 M M

Victoria Dock

2 Gairsoppa 3227 Rangoon 28-3 M M
3 Vita 1955 Karachi 28-3 M M
5 Jalabala 2211 Karachi 25-3 Scindia S N
8 Bahadur 3397 Calcutta 25-3 T Morrison
9 Hatipara 4863 Karachi 26-3 M M

PRINCE'S DOCK

A Jalakrishna 3075 Rangoon 26-3 Scindia S N
F El Madina 1628 Jeddah N F, Scindia S N
K Islami 3617 Calcutta 28-3 T Morrison
N/O Jalarathna 2326 N F, 28-3 Scindia S N

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON

Strathallan 7-4-38 P and O S N
Soudan 25-3-38 M M
Strathnaver 14-4-38 P and O S N
Cathay 21-4-38 P and O S N
Corfu 31-3-38 P and O S N
Viceroy of India 31-3-38 P and O S N

FROM HULL

Kioto 25-3-38 J Finlay

FROM LIVERPOOL

Elysia 27-3-38 Anchor Line
City of Hongkong 28-3-38 K Nixon

FROM HAMBURG

Birkenfels 28-3-38 L Edwards
Kybfels 2-4-38 L Edwards

FROM GOTHENBURG

Canton 5-4-38 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK

Pres Polk 14-4-38 F F Campbell
Pres Harrison 31-3-38 F F Campbell

FROM TRIESTE

Conte Verde 29-4-38 L Triestino

FROM GENOA

Victoria 29-3-38 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Ryuyo Maru 30-3-38 N Y Kaisha
Borneo Maru 8-4-38 O S Kaisha
Conte Rosso 14-4-38 L Triestino
Venice Maru 25-3-38 Volkart Bros
Naples Maru 28-3-38 O S Kaisha
Conte Biancamano 31-3-38 L Triestino
Nagai Maru 22-3-38 N Y Kaisha
Mirzapore 28-3-38 P and O S N

FROM BASRA

Bamora 31-3-38 M M
Vasna 25-3-38 M M

FROM SYDNEY

Strathallan 7-4-38 P and O S N

FROM DURBAN

Tairea 16-4-38 M M
Kenya 2-4-38 M M

FROM AKYAB

Surada 28-3-38 M M

FROM CALCUTTA

Chyebassa 29-3-38 M M
Gambhira 3-4-38 M M
Gambada 5-4-38 M M

FROM BASSEIN

Gharinda 28-3-38 M M

FROM RANGOON

Jalaveera 28-3-38 Scindia S N

FROM KARACHI

Vita 31-3-38 M M

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON

Viceroy of India 2-4-38 P and O S N
Somali NF P and O S N
Strathmore 9-4-38 P and O S N
Strathnaver 16-4-38 P and O S N
Maloja 28-3-38 P and O S N

FOR LIVERPOOL

Elysia 15-4-38 Anchor Line
City of Simla 4-4-38 K Nixon
City of Hongkong 21-4-38 K Nixon
California 31-3-38 Anchor Line

FOR NEW YORK

Pres Harrison 1-4-38 F F Campbell
City of Khios 27-3-38 F F Campbell
Venice Maru 27-3-38 Volkart Bros
Pres Polk 15-4-38 F F Campbell

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 14-4-38 L Triestino

FOR GENOA

Conte Biancamano 31-3-38 L Triestino

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Nagato Maru 5-4-38 N Y Kaisha
Conte Verde 20-4-38 L Triestino
Naple. Maru 11-4-38 O S Kaisha
Ryuyo Maru 15-4-38 N Y Kaisha
Himalaya Maru 29-3-38 O S Kaisha
Corfu 31-3-38 P and O S N
Victoria 29-3-38 L Triestino
Borneo Maru 22-4-38 O S Kaisha
Soudan 28-3-38 M M

FOR SYDNEY

Strathallan 7-4-38 P and O S N

FOR BASRA

Bankura 30-3-38 M M
Vasna 31-3-38 M M

FOR DURBAN

Kenya 12-4-38 M M
Takliwa 30-3-38 M M

FOR JEDDAH

El Madina N F Scindia S N

FOR RANGOON

Gairsoppa 28-3-38 M M

FOR CALCUTTA

Islami 29-3-38 T Morrison

FOR KARACHI

Vita 26-3-38 M M

B P T GENERAL LANDING DATES

S S Clan Matheson 23-3-38
S S Nagato Maru 23-3-38
S S Akbar 24-3-38
S S Jalabala 24-3-38
S S El Madina 24-3-38
S S Dayawati 24-3-38

EXPORTS

S S Soudan for Kobe: 400 bales raw cotton K M Nathoo; 300 bales raw cotton The Cotton Agents.

For Hongkong: 22 bales ctn piecegoods Jethabhai Jewan; 300 bales ctn grey yarn Jethabhai Jewan; 28 bales ctn grey yarn A H Diab; 20 bales ctn grey yarn Anglo Siam Corption; 157 bales ctn grey yarn A Virji; 36 bags sharkfins H A Mahomed; 225 bags sesame seeds H Manilal; 20 bags sharkfins K P Jamadar; 93 bags till seeds E Mavji; 50 bags ooplates E Mavji; 50 bags roots E Mavji; 30 bags bees wax E Mavji; 25 dms castor oil Swastik Oil Mills; 71 bags sharkfins E Moledina; 35 bags fish maws H J Mohmed.

For Osaka: 100 bales raw cotton A Podar; 500 bales raw cotton A Clayton.

For Shanghai: 500 bales raw cotton N Nagshi; 500 bales raw cotton V Morarji.

For Manila: 105 bales ctn grey yarn A Virji.

For Yokohama: 18 bags gum A Virji.

S S Himalaya Maru for Kobe: 157 bales raw cotton Japan Ctn Trading; 700 bales raw cotton G K Kaisha; 120 bales raw cotton Kotak.

For Jinsen: 300 bales cotton raw Volkart Bros.

For Osaka: 395 bales raw cotton Japan Ctn Trading; 300 bales raw cotton The Cotton Agents.

IMPORTS

M S Aagtekerk Agents L Edwards from Antwerp: 100 tons foundry coke; 116 l/dms bichg powder; 405 casks nitrate of soda; 24 casks cinema film (unexposed); 94 brls acetate of lead; 80 kegs chemical product; 220 bags bolts and nuts; 40 bags zinc white; 1680 slabs spelter; 250 bags super phosphate; 95 cases chemicals (harmless); 50 drums iron oxide; 257 pcs zinc boiler slabs; 50 cases vegetable preserve; 65 bdls insulated wire and cable; 53 bdls iron screws; 500 bags whiting; 200 bags chalk; 1478 l/dms dyes dry; 55 cases coal tar derivatives; 92 cases window glass; 501 bdls m s hoops; 60 cases zinc dust; 3000 pcs marble refuse; 400 bags graint chips; 388 pkgs plates; 100 cases bicarbonate of ammonia.

POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS

Statement of the position of scheduled Banks as at the close of business on 18th March 1938.

1. Demand Liabilities—		
(a) In India	122,48,80,000	
(b) In Burma	5,59,70,000	
2. Time Liabilities.—		
(a) In India	105,45,38,000	
(b) In Burma	4,82,88,000	
3. Cash—		
(i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes—		
(a) In India	5,06,42,000	
(b) In Burma	1,37,000	
(ii) Burma Notes.—		
(a) In India	24,000	
(b) In Burma	18,73,000	
(iii) Rupee Coin—		
(a) In India	63,72,000	
(b) In Burma	1,30,000	
(iv) Subsidiary Coin—		
(a) In India	29,93,000	
(b) In Burma	1,21,000	
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	14,94,58,000	
5. Advances—		
(a) In India	1,17,70,76,000	
(b) In Burma	5,76,64,000	
3. Bills Discounted—		
(a) In India	6,84,87,000	
(b) In Burma	38,62,000	

Balanced Buying And Selling On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

UNSETTLED ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN EUROPE

Loans To Continue Till July

Bombay, March 25.

The New York cotton market was narrowly irregular influenced by moderate orders either way, but Liverpool and Bombay sold on balance, while tired longs liquidated owing to the uncertainty over domestic business outlook and unsettled economic conditions in Europe. The C.C.C. have announced that the '1937-38 cotton loan which was to expire on 31st March will be extended to 1st July.

The market was early steady with contracts scarce and the continuation of previous day's late covering followed. The market later steadied in sympathy with the Stock market and New Orleans buying, together with a slight improvement in cotton goods trade and tax developments. Finally prices declined partially on realising and both buying and selling being equal the market closed steady.

At the opening May was quoted 4 points up at 8.65 and declined to 8.57 which was the lowest level. Later on prices advanced to 8.68 and the market closed at a net decline of one point to a rise of 5 points. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 8.67c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was fairly steady and closed at a rise of 2 points to unchanged. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 8.83c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a rise of 4 points with May 4.83. In an apathetic market, local support on overseas advices offset May liquidation and Continental selling. Later on there was mixed straddle operations, otherwise business was local. The market closed at a rise of 3 to 4 points. Middling American Spot Cotton prices closed unchanged at 4.95d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Egyptian cotton futures market was quiet but steady and Giza futures closed at a decline of one point and Uppers futures closed 3 to 4 points. The Alexandria cotton futures market was quiet but steady and Sakels futures closed 5 points down to 4 points up. Ashmouni futures closed 2 to 7 points lower.

COMMODITY PRICES

"The influences which brought about the recent activity and advance in cotton and other commodities appeared to have lost much of their force last week, and consequently prices reacted partially. The volume of trading declined to small proportions, traders being more disposed to await further developments at Washington in connection with commodity prices where the subject is still being studied, although there is no definite indication of any immediate action.

The fact, moreover, that cotton prices had advanced to the full loan level, plus carrying charges, checked new enterprise on the buying side pending some light on the attitude of farmers, who, however, show no disposition to sell freely and are apparently in a strong financial position as a result of previous sales and of the Government loan, and are thus inclined to await the results of the acreage quota referendum; they appear to attach considerable importance to the prospects for a small area next season and to the possibility of higher prices.

PARITY DIFFERENCES

"The wider New York-Bombay differences also discouraged buying, especially as some Bombay selling developed on Tuesday. Reports here indicate increased offers of Indian cotton, though some Bombay houses have advanced selling limits, evidently expecting a further widening of differences. It is believed that a material widening of differences would cause American shippers who have hedged at Bombay to transfer their hedges to the American market.

New outside interest is extremely small and speculation is dormant. Spot demand is slow, mills buying very sparingly, and textiles are inactive although steadily held. Trade interests are good buyers at declines, but the market generally is thin and easily influenced by small orders, to-day's quick upturn being due largely to local covering and New Orleans and trade buying. Contracts are scarce, with very little hedging, partly as a result of the local holiday in Texas."

PRIVATE CABLES

N. Y. May Highest (2-24 p.m.)	4.68+07
N. Y. May Lowest (11-14 a.m.)	4.57—04
Liverpool May Highest	4.85+06
Liverpool May Lowest	4.81+02

Messrs. Bishwambharlal Maheshwari have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

Liverpool:—

Very poor demand you can expect Liverpool weaker in comparison with New York.

New York:—

Cotton better selling reported trade circle due elemination processing tax proposed modification undistributed profit tax favour conservative buying.

Commodity Credit Corporation extended available date loans to producers to July 1st.

Market steady process tax proposal eliminated increased Government spending expected planting making good progress expect South East too dry are not inclined to change our opinion.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co., Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York.—Scattered liquidation absorbed by trade and spot houses.

New York.—With any improvement in business generally think market will advance owing to technical position being good and owing to the fact that large amount of cotton is in Government loan as well as prospect of a small crop this year.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, March 24.

May	8.61
July	8.67—01
October	8.73+01
December	8.75+02
January	8.76+01
March	8.81+05
Middling Spot	8.67

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, March 24.

May	8.74
July	8.80
October	8.84+02
Middling Spot	8.83

11 a.m. Ranges—

May	8.60/8.59
July	8.65/8.65
October	8.68/8.68

Noon Call—

May	8.60
July	8.65
October	8.70

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, March 24.

	Bales.
Day's receipts at all U.S. Ports	3,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	8,000
Day's exports to the Continent	10,000
Day's exports to China and Japan	Nil

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

Liverpool, March 24.

March	4.79+03
April	4.79+03
May	4.82+02
June	4.85+03
July	4.89+03
August	4.91+03
September	4.93+03
October	4.95+03
November	4.96+03
December	4.97+03
January	4.99+03
February	5.00+03
March	8.02+04
Middling Spot	4.95

10-12 a.m. quotations.—

May	4.83
October	4.97

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, March 24.

Spot	7.25—5.
March	6.74—1.
May	6.68—1
July	6.77—5.
October	6.83—1
November	6.83—1.
January	6.84—1.
Spot	5.98—5
March	5.83+3.
May	5.87+4.
July	5.92+3.
October	5.97+3.
November	5.97+3.
January	6.01+1.

Cotton Arrivals

Receipts into Bombay on 23rd March	9,242
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1937	1,540,134
Receipts into Bombay same time last season	2,128,288
	588,154

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, March 24.

Broach A/M. 1938 op. 164 3/8; highest 164 5/8; lowest 163 3/4; closing 164.

Broach J/A. op 167 3/8; highest 167 5/8; lowest 166 3/4; closing 167.

Oomra March op 145 1/2; highest 145 1/2; lowest 145 1/2; closing 145 1/2.

Oomra May op 164 3/4; highest 146 3/4; lowest 146 1/2; closing 146 1/2.

Oomra July op 149; highest 149; lowest 148 1/2, closing 148 1/2

Bengal March op 127; highest 128; lowest 127; closing 128.

Bengal May op. 126 1/8; highest 126 1/4; lowest 125 3/4; closing 125 3/4.

Bengal July op. 127 1/4; highest 127 1/4; lowest 127 1/8; closing 127 18.

T/Mandi for Broach April/May (31-3-38) Rs. 3

T/Mandi for Broach JAug. (21-4-38) Rs. 6 1/2

T/Mandi for Broach J/Aug. (24-6-38) Rs. 13 1/2

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

New York—Liverpool:—

May 137 July 145 Oct. 151 Dec. 153 Jan. 156 at Cross Rate 4.96 1/16.

Bombay -Liverpool:—

Broach A/M. 1938 163/8—Liverpool May 1938 4.83 Rs. 46 3/4 at Exchange 1/6

Bombay—Liverpool:—

Broach J/A. 1938 166/8—Liverpool July 4.90 Rs. 47 at Exchange 1/6.

Bombay—New York:—

Broach A/M. 1938 163/8—New York May 8.61 Rs. 29 1/2 at Cross Rate 4.96 1/16.

Bombay—New York:—

Broach J/A. 1938 166/8—New York July 8.67 Rs. 27 3/4 at Cross Rate 4.96 1/16.

LONDON SEEDS.

London March 24.

Linseed La Plata Hull c.i.f. ton March sellers	£12/2/6
Linseed Calcutta London c.i.f. ton March sellers	£13/10/0
Linseed Bombay London c.i.f. ton March sellers	£13/17/6
Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont. c.i.f. ton March sellers	£12/0/0
Castorseed Bombay Hull c.i.f. ton March sellers	£11/17/6

LONDON PRODUCE.

London March 24.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe parcels Apr/May sellers	46/10 1/2
Wheat Barletta Russo parcels Apr/May sellers	37/3
Wheat South Australian parcels March sellers	32/9

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, March 25.

Following quiet but steady New York advices, the local market opened to-day at Rs. 164/8 for Broach A/M. delivery and advanced to Rs. 164/12 while Broach J/A. was quoted Rs 168. It appears that loca bulls were buying freely to get a higher rate fixed at to-day's clearing otherwise, there was nothing in the situation to induce any important buying. The tone of the market was steady

Liverpool market opened at a rise of one point and the local market was steady with Broach A/M delivery quoted at Rs. 165. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

Broach A/M	165	8	0
Broach J/A	168	12	0
Oomra May	148	6	0
Oomra July	150	8	0
Bengal May	127	0	0
Bengal July	128	8	0

Cotton Tenders

Bombay, March 25

	To-day.	Total.
F G M G Bengal	300	2600
Fine Oomra	600	5000

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, March 25

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G—					
Bengal U P		133	130	127	124
Punjab		133	130	127	124
Rajputana		133	130	127	124
Oomra No. 3	153	150	147	144	
C P No. 1	166	163	160	157	
C P No. 2	159	156	153	150	
Broach No. 2		170	168	166	164

Ready Cotton Sales

Bombay, March 25

200 Japan T and Co Kaithar 5 on
50 Japan T and Co Jalna 143
450 Japan T and Co Basim 149 1/2
50 Japan T and Co Sailu 143
75 Japan T and Co Pusad 149
200 Japan T and Co Amraoti 2 on
50 Japan T and Co Murtizapur 2 on
228 Japan T and Co Telhara 2 on
100 Japan T and Co Basim 149 1/2
100 Japan T and Co Hansi 131
225 Japan T and Co Sailu 143 1/2
55 Japan T and Co Jalna 143
74 Japan T and Co Aurangabad 143 1/2
52 Japan T and Co Aurangabad 143 1/4
47 Japan T and Co Aurangabad 143 1/4
141 Japan T and Co Karanja 2 on
164 Langli and Co Amraoti 2 on
299 Langli and Co Amraoti 2 on
50 Andarshancietan Sawjin 22 on
50 Shapurji Mill Puja 268 1/2
100 Shapurji Bharoocha Kampala 118 on
50 Shapurji Bharoocha Busoga 113 on

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, March 25

Bengal Superfine	135/37
Bengal Fine	131/33
Bengal F G	128/29
C P 1	155/59
C P 2	152/53
Arvi	154/55
Amraoti	145/49
Ellichpur	152/53
Berar	149/51
Khandesh	138/43
Jalna Sailu	141/45
Burwah Sanavad	151/52
Khandwa	152/53
Harda Khirkiya	152/53
Mathia	127/32
Malkapur	145/47
Broach	167/69
Punjab 4 F	180/83
Punjab 289F	215/20
Sindh 4 F	175/80
Sindh N T	200/205
Kampala	283/84
Jinja	267
Jagadia Ankleshwar	211/12

Indian Cotton Figures

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

Bombay, March 25

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales

	Yesterday	This year	Last year
Khandesh	78	46,111	196,426
Central India		35,921	299,031
Barsi and Nagpur	117	123,110	148,490
Hyderabad Gaorani	111	35,885	79,190
Berar	1,251	263,293	500,750
Central Provinces	244	58,401	102,347
Total Oomras	1,801	562,721	1,326,234
Dholera	1,260	47,742	50,037
N W Provinces	48	2,558	7,226
Rajputana	536	12,060	63,936
Sind Punjab	2,298	445,535	272,706
Broach	6,533	63,681	187,740
Coompta and Dharwar	100	11,001	12,858
Westerns Northerns	158	8,723	17,780
Cocoanada		12	124
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		1,407	3,485
American	1,814	150,890	4,560
Egyptian, African and Sudan	6,130	253,812	201,193
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		1,170	29
Total	21,178	1,561,312	2,147,908

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept to 17th March

In full-pressed bales

	Yesterday	This year	Last year
Europe		Rs. 157,374	260,280
Japan and China	9,198	373,943	887,771
Coast Ports		39,081	13,542
Up-country by Rail		236,063	168,010
Afloat in harbour for Europe, China and Japan		10,174	37,723
Total	9,198	816,635	1,367,326

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, March 24.

SAKEL—	
May	13.44+4.
July	13.57—5.
ASHMOUNI—	
June	10.32—2.
October	10.41—7.
GIZA—	
May	12.62+1.
July	12.69—0.

Osaka Cotton

Osaka, March 25.

May	53.00
June	53.20

Osaka Sampin

Osaka, March 25.

March	229.50
June	216.50
July	216.90—10
September	216.70+30

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, March 25.

Yesterday London gold prices closed unchanged at £7-0-1 1/2. London/Paris Exchange rate was 38 points down at 162.18. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.96 1/16. London silver prices advanced 1/16d. to 20 3/8d. for spot while forward quotation up by 1/8d. to 20 1/8d. There was little speculative buying and offerings were small. New York silver was quoted 44 3/4 cents and Montreal futures advanced 15 points. Shanghai T. T. on London was quoted 1.2 1/16. The local market was fairly steady with a restricted turnover and prices fluctuated within a narrow range.

GOLD

Ready	34	12	0
Chaitra delivery	34	11	6
Chaitra Teji-mandi	0	2	3
Vaishakh delivery	34	10	9
Vaishakh Teji-mandi	0	3	6

SILVER

Ready	51	6	6
Chaitra delivery	51	7	6
Chaitra Teji-mandi	0	10	0
Vaishakh delivery	51	9	0
Vaishakh Teji-mandi	1	0	0

LONDON SILVER

London March 24.

Spot	20 3/8
Forward	20 1/8

LONDON GOLD

London March 24.

Gold bars fine per oz	£7-0-1 1/2

Montreal Silver

Montreal, March 24.

March	45.35+15
May	45.25+15
July	45.25+15

LONDON METALS

London, March 24.

Copper	£39 18 9
Lead	£16 7 6
Spelter	£14 10 0
Tin	£184 17 6

Bombay Metals

Bombay, March 25

London market quotations

Standard copper cash (buyers)	£39-15-0
Standard copper 3 months	£40-0-0
Electrolytic copper	£44-0-0

Bombay market quotations

Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 39-8-0
Copper sheets	Rs. 45-0-0

Tone: Steady.

METAL OUTLOOK

Bombay, March 25

Metal markets were steadier whilst Wall Street also recovered somewhat on tax developments, together with Mr. Morgenthau's announcement in connection with widescale Government loans to stimulate industries. The Finance Committee of the Senate has voted for the repeal of the undistributed profits tax in favour of the 18 per cent flat Corporation tax. We continue to favour purchases of metals around the present level, state Messrs. M. and R. Stern.

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, March 24

April	£10 6 3
May	£10 5 9

GROUNDNUTS & SEEDS

Bombay, March 25

Groundnuts May—	
Opening	28 1 6
Highest	28 2 6
Lowest	28 0 6
Closing	28 1 6
Castorseeds May—	
Opening	32 5 0
Highest	32 7 6
Lowest	32 4 0
Closing	32 7 0
Cottonseeds May—	
Opening	18 6 6
Highest	18 6 9
Lowest	18 3 6
Closing	18 3 6

Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, March 24

March	79 7/8d.
May	80 3/8d.
July	80 1/4d.
October	79 1/2d.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, March 24

May	dol 0.86 5/8
July	dol 0.83 1/2
September	dol 0.84 1/8

New York Sugar

New York, March 24

July	2.14
September	2.15
January	2.14

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, March 25

Ready Javas	Rs. 15	2	0
Shipment April June	5	0	9
Shipment July Sept	5	0	9
Shipment Oct Dec	5	1	0
Kesar	12	5	0
Saraya	11	12	0
Java Spot	F	7.00	

LONDON SUGAR

London, March 24.

May	5s. 1 3/4d.

American Cotton Figures

	1937-38	1936-37
F P Bales		
Receipts to date 24-3-38	7246000	6113000
Receipts yesterday 24-3-38	3000	5000
Exports to date 24-3-38	4809000	4543000
Stock at Ports 18-3-38	3083000	1901000
Stock at Interior Towns 18-3-38	2458000	1682000
Stock at Liverpool 18-3-38	1214000	943000
Visible Supply 18-3-38	7348000	5266000
Quantity in sight 18-3-38	12379000	11500000
Quantity out of sight 18-3-38	7912000	9486000

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, March 25.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/57 100/4
3 per cent 1951/64 102/4
3 per cent 1941 103
3 per cent U P Bonds 97
3 1/2 per cent G P N Cash 97/13
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 106
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 108
4 per cent 1960/70 113/14
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 118/8
5 per cent 1939/44 104
5 per cent 1939/43 107/2
5 1/2 per cent 1938/40 Loan 102

TAX FREES

4 per cent 1953/63 113
5 per cent 1955 122
5 per cent 1945/55 118/6
5 1/2 per cent 1939 Mysore 101/14

Note:—3 1/2 per cent Government paper opened to-day at Rs. 97/12 and after improving to Rs. 97/13 declined to Rs 97/12. Next settlement quotes 3 annas against short sellers. Tone very steady.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, March 25.

B. C. RATES—

T T D D 1/8 1/16

LONDON

Bank's selling T T D D 1/8 3/32
Bank's buying T T 1/8 5/32
Bank buying D D 1/8 3/16
Bank's buying 3 months 1/8 7/32

NEW YORK—

Bank's selling T T 268
Bank's buying T T 265 5/8

PARIS—

Bank's selling T T 1,288
Bank's buying T T 1,238

JAPAN—

Bank's selling T T 77 1/2
Bank's buying T T 77

AMSTERDAM—

Bank's selling D D 67 3/8

JAVA—

Bank's selling D D 67 1/4

HONGKONG—

Bank's selling D D 83 1/2

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D 79 1/4

SINGAPORE—

Bank's selling D D 155 3/4

BERLIN—

Bank's selling D D 91 3/4

CROSS RATE—

New York/London 4.96.18 24th instant.
Japan/London 1/2 25th instant.
Hongkong/London 1/2 29/32 25th instant.
Shanghai/London 1/2 1/16 25th instant
Java/London 8.95 3/4 25th instant.
London/Paris 162.18 24th instant.
London/Belgium 29.48 1/4 24th instant.
London/Switzerland 21.64 1/8 24th instant.
London/Berlin 12.37 1/2 24th instant.
London/Stockholm 19.41 3/4 24th instant.
London/New York 4.96.12 24th instant.
London/Amsterdam 8.97 1/8 24th instant.
London/Italy 94.26 24th instant.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady.
Gold £7-0-1 1/2 23rd instant.
Gold £7-0-1 1/2 24th instant.
Silver London Ready 20 5/16 23rd instant.
Silver London Ready 20 3/8 24th instant.
Silver London Forward 20 23rd instant
Silver London Forward 20 1/8 24th instant.
Silver New York Ready 45 23rd instant.
Silver New York Ready 45 24th instant
London Discounts 3 months 9/16 per cent 23rd instant.
London Discounts 3 months 9/16 per cent 24th instant.
London Discounts 6 months 5/8 per cent 23rd instant.
London Discounts 6 months 5/8 per cent 24th instant.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—
Call 1 per cent.
3 months 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months 1 1/4 per cent.
Tone:—Firm.

Indian Sterling Loans

London, March 24.

Call Loan London	1/2
3 per cent	77
3 1/2 per cent	90 1/2
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	103
4 per cent 1948/53	107 3/4
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	112 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	116
5 per cent 1942/47	111 1/2
3 per cent 1949/52	98 3/4
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	74 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	101 3/4
4 per cent Funding Loan 1960/90	113 1/8
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordinary	45

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London March 24.

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£72 1/2
Indian Stock 3 per cent 1948	£77
Indian Stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£90 1/2
Indian Stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	£112 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£74 1/4
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£100 3/4
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	£101 3/4
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£113 1/8
Victory Bonds	£109 1/2
Chartered Bank of India A. and China	£11 7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London reg.	£90
National Bank of India	£39 1/2
P and O Banking Corporation	£9 5/8

LONDON DISCOUNTS RATES.

London March 24.

Bank bills 3 months market rate 9/16 per cent to 9/16 per cent.

Bank bills 6 months market rate 5/8 per cent to 11/16 per cent.

Fine trade bills 3 months rate 2 per cent to 2 1/2 per cent.

Fine trade bills 6 months rate 2 1/2 per cent to 3 per cent.

Interest day to day loan 1/2 per cent to 1/2 per cent.

Interest 7 days market loan 1/2 per cent.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London March 24.

T. T. London on:—

New York	4.96.12
Paris	162.18
Berlin	12.37 1/2
Madrid	80.00
Amsterdam	8.97 1/16
Brussels	29.48 1/4
Milan	94.26
Berne	21.64 1/8
Prague	142.00

LINSEED OIL

London March 24.

Linseed oil London per cwt. naked April sellers 28
Linseed oil London per cwt. naked March April paid sellers .. 28

PAY IN—APRIL 11 PAY OUT—APRIL 13

Tata Steels Reach Low Levels

PROFESSIONAL SELLING IN SPECULATIVE COUNTERS

Market Becoming Nervous

BOMBAY, March 25.

Yesterday the Wall Street Market was steady and U.S. Steel shares improved dol. 3/4 to dollars 48 3/4 and Anaconda Coppers gained half a dollar. The American Industrial outlook continues uncertain and even at the present low level, there seems little inclination to buy. The European situation is still having effect on the general sentiment.

The local share Bazar opened barely steady and with a moderate turnover prices fluctuated within a narrow range, but during the last half an hour there was increased selling and prices sagged. There was a marked absence of any important buying and the small support which was in evidence yesterday towards the close was more or less a planned action of some operators to give a wrong impression of the market.

Thus professional operators are manipulating the market and as pointed out before prices are seeking lower levels as the end of the month is drawing near. The undertone of the market was easy and with any further attempt to depress prices, there would be considerable forced liquidation.

The market outlook seems to favour a further decline in speculative counters and intending buyers will do well by waiting. Those who long are likely to be nervous as there is a definite move to depress with a view to induce liquidation of weakholders.

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, March 25.

100 Ahm. Advance (Rs. 9)	397	8
250 BOM DYEING (Rs. 25)	898	12
100 CENTURY (Rs. 6)	258	2
100 CEN. INDIA (Rs. 4)	251	4
100 COLABA (Rs. 4)	XD 173	12
100 Coorla (Rs. 5)	110	0
250 David	75	0
250 Dawn (Rs. 10)	340	0
1 E.D. Sassoon Df. (nil)	0-6-3	
100 Finlay (Rs. 3)	139	6
100 GOKAK (Rs. 4-8)	171	4
1,000 Hindustan	1720	0
100 Indore	65	0
100 Khatau (Rs 3)	122	8
100 KOHINOOR (Rs. 12)	308	12
250 Laxmi (Rs. 12-8)	537	8
250 Madras United	35	0
1,000 Morarji (Rs. 40)	1,102	8
250 Model	49	4
50 MYSORE (Rs 2)	120	1
200 NEW GREAT (nil)	257	8
100 Ismanshahi (Re. 1)	42	8
100 Phoenix (nil)	253	12
25 Sassoon Silk (Rs. 2)	72	0
1,000 Sholapur (Rs. 30)	1,910	0
50 SIMPLEX (Rs. 2)	86	4
100 SWADESHI (Rs 5)	227	8
100 Swan (Rs. 2-8)	106	4
500 Vishnu (Rs 30)	1,320	0
1000 Western (Rs. 40)	915	0

BANKS

50-100 Baroda (Rs. 2-8)	114	12
25-50 Central (As. 12)	32	10
500 Imperial (Rs. 30)	1547	8
125-500 Imp Contry. (Rs. 7-8)	384	6
50-100 India (Rs. 2-8)	143	8
100 Reserve Bank (Rs. 2-8)	117	8
5 Union (As. 4)	5	14

CEMENTS

100 ASSOCIATED (Rs. 7-8)	121	0

INSURANCE

100-500 Empire (Rs 14)	855	0
15-100 Jupiter (As. 12)	13	8
20 Mercantile	55	0
15-75 New India (Rs. 1-4)	39	0
200 Oriental	4350	0
10-50 Vulcan (Rs. 8)	7	8

ELECTRIC

100 Ahm. Old (Rs. 6-8)	144	6
1000 ANDHRA VALLEY (Rs. 45 + 30)	1450	0
10 Ajmer (As. 8)	12	10
50 BOM. TRAM (Rs 2-6)	119	11
100 B'bay Suburban (Rs. 6-8)	165	0
10 Broach (As 5)	10	1
100 Karachi (4)	222	8
100 Poona (4)	206	4
100 Surat (Rs. 3)	168	12
100 TATA HYDRO. (Rs. 4-8+3)	146	4
1000 TATA POWER (Rs. 37-8+25)	1362	8

RAILWAYS.

500 Ahmedabad Prantij	920	0
100 C. Province	99	4
100 Dh Baramati	104	
100 Gujarat	99	0
100 Mandra Bhon	101	0
100 Pachora Jamner	94	2
100 Sara Sirajgunj	100	12
500 Tapti Valley	728	12

MININGS.

9 Burma Corp. (As 11)	6	12
2sh. Indian Copper (As 1-8)	2	6
10 Indian Iron and Steel (Rs. 1-8)	29	0
10 SHIVRAJPUR (Rs. 2)	51	0
30 TATA STEEL DFD (Rs 36-3-6)	1085	0
75 TATA STEEL ORDY. (Rs. 10)	244	8

MISCELLANEOUS.

100 ALCOCK (Rs. 6)	352	8
50 BELAPUR SUGAR (Rs. 5)	161	14
200-250 B'bay Safe Dep. ((Rs. 13-12)	355	0
250 BOMBAY STEAM (Rs. 5)	246	4
125 B. Burma (Rs. 20)	595	0
50 Do. Conty (Rs. 8)	210	0
8sh Br. B. Petrol	3-9	6
50 BOM TELEPHONE (Rs. 2-8)	93	0
100 I. BLEACHING (Rs. 4)	145	0
50 I. Invest Trust	44	8
100 I Radio Defd (12)	527	8
100 I. Radio Ord. (15)	425	0
1000 Port Canning (Rs. 26)	677	8
30 PREMIER CON. (Rs. 2-15)	72	8
15 Scindia	20	6
25 Tata Oil Mill (nil)	28	12

PREFERENCE.

7 p.c. Andhra Valley	1500	0

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay, March 25.

Bombay Dyeing (906/4) 907 911 908 910 896 898
Century (258/2) 260 263 257 258
Central India (255) 255 258 257
Kohinoor (308/12) 310 311 305 308
New Great (258/4) 255 262 252 257
Simplex (88/2) 90 89 90 87 86
Swadeshi (230) 231 227
Associated Cement (120/12) 121 121/4 120/8 121
Andhra (1450) 1459
Tata Hydro (145/10) 145/10 146/4
Tata Power (1365) 1367 1370 1362
Tram. Ord. (119/11) 119/11
T. Steel Dfd. (1107/8) 1110 1125 1117 1120 1082 1087 1085
T. Steel Ord. (248) 250 250/8 249 251 247 244/8 245 244/8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (173) 173 173/8 173/4
Belapur (161/4) 162 161
B. Steam (243) 245
B. Burma (596/4) 601 610 595

WALL STREET MARKET

New York, March 24.

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dol.
Amr. Water Works Com.	8
Amr. Power and Light Com.	4
Amr. Power and Light Pfd 5 p.c. A	22
Amr. Super Power	1
Electric P. and Light 7 p.c. Pfd.	23
Electric Bond Common	6
Consolidated (Gas) Edison	19
Columbia Gas and Elec.	6
American Tel and Tel.	123 3/4
Western Union Telg	20 1/4
New York Central Rly.	12 1/2
Unnited S Rubber	29
U. S. Gypsum	61
Alaska Juneau	10
Bethelehem Steel	52
Republic Steel	14 1/2
United S. Steel	48 3/4
United S. Smelting	56 1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining	29
Int. Nickel of Canada	47 3/4
Chrysler Motors	46
General Motors	31 1/2
Packard Motors	4
General Electric	33 3/4
Radio Corp	5 1/2
Boeing Airplane	27
Curtis Wright	4
American Radiator	11
Union Carbide	68 3/4
Barnsdall Oil	13
Consolidated Oil	8
Socony Oil	12 3/4
National Dairy	13
Amr. Tob B.	63
Chase Bank	28 1/4
National City Bank	22 3/4
Sun Life of Canada	395
Eaton Mfg.	14

"Overwhelming majority Senate Finance Committee voted elimination corporate undistributed profit tax substituting flat eighteen per cen tax on Corporation net incomes". Technical rally. Brokers loans up 28 million dollars. Turnover 890,000 shares. Regular quarterly dividends have been declared by National Distillers, Alaska Juneau, and Barnsdall Oil.

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURNS.

London, March 24.

	This week. £
Total bullion	327,300,000
Public deposits	45,600,000
(A) Other deposits	145,800,000
Total deposits	161,400,000
Government securities	105,100,000
(B) Other securities	26,700,000
Total securities	131,800,000
Notes and coin	47,800,000
Notes in circulation	479,500,000
Ratio of reserve to liabilities	29.62 p.c.
(A) Other deposits include bankers	109,100,000
(B) Other securities include discount and advances	6,600,000

6 p.c Bombay Steam	287	8
7 p.c. B'bay Tram (T.F.)	73	4
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.)	553	12
6-1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 1st	107	4
6 1/4 p.c Prem Const 2nd	103	0
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	XD 151	4
7½ Tata Power	1577	8
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st.	205	0
7½ Tata Steel 2nd	173	8
7 p.c Vishnu	703	12

DEBENTURES

3 3/4 p.c Andhra Valley	101	8
6 p.c. And

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Jagannath Temple Must Be Thrown Open To Harijans

STUDY CRAFTS AND TAKE UP SERIOUSLY

Mahatma's Advice To Oriyas At An Opening Of Industries Exhibition

BERBOI, March 25.

"If we serve Orissa we serve the whole country," said Mahatma Gandhi, addressing a gathering for half an hour after the flag hoisting ceremony when declaring the Village Industries Exhibition open.

He said that Orissa was the dearest to him in India. It was why that he had performed the Harijan pilgrimage on foot.

It was also the land, however, he was pained to say, where there was poverty entirely due to the indolence and inertia of the people and their addiction to opium.

"I have been through the exhibition, which is one of the best exhibitions. I have seen. I am sure that if the Oriyas can throw off their indolence they can get rid of poverty."

Mahatma Gandhi wanted his hearers to go through the Exhibition again anld again, study the crafts which were being demonstrated there and take up any one of them seriously.

The Congress Ministry was doing all that could be done for the people of Orissa and the people should take full advantage of it.

Continuing, Mahatma Gandhi referred to the problem of Untouchability and said that the temple of Jagannath which was one of the most important objects of pilgrimage in India, also discriminated between caste Hindus and Harijans. Everyone was allowed to partake of the "prasad" there without distinction of caste, but it was a matter of shame that into the temple itself Harijans were not admitted. The presiding deity of the temple was stated to be the "Nath" of "Jagat". (Lord of the Whole World). But he seemed to be the "Nath" of caste Hindus only since the God was not open to Harijans he was not open to him too. —A. P.

Sardar Hoists National Flag At Conference

BERBOI, March 25.

The deafening shouts of Gandhiji-ki-jai and Bande-Mataram greeted Gandhiji who accompanied by Mr. Mahadeo Desai, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Babu Rajendra Prasad arrived here this morning. The party alighted at Delang Railway Station in order to avoid demonstration. Gandhiji was garlanded by Hon. Mr. Biswanath Das, Premier of Orissa and President of the Orissa P.C.C. at the gate of the Conference Pandal.

Kishorilal Mashruwalla, President of the Gandhi Seva Sangh and other office-bearers received Gandhiji and accompanied him to Gandhiji's cottage. The other arrivals include Hon. Mr. Kanungo and Hon. Mr. Bodhram Dube, Ministers of Orissa.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel hoisted the national flag this morning in the absence of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, Congress President, in the presence of a big gathering.—A. P.

GANDHIJI DISCUSSES ASSAM SITUATION

Release Of Politicals And Congress Coalition Ministry

CALCUTTA, March 25

The question of the release of Rani Guideloo of Naga Hill and other political prisoners in Assam was stated to have been discussed with Gandhiji yesterday before his departure from Calcutta by Mr. Parak Chandam, Deputy Leader of the Congress Party in the Assam Assembly. Mr. Chandam also apprised Gandhiji of the general political situation in the province with particular reference to the possibility of a Congress coalition Ministry and the action of the Assam Government in flouting the Assembly's decision to abolish the Divisional Commissioners establishment, etc.—A. P.

BIHAR ASSEMBLY

Adjournment Motion Disallowed

PATNA, March 25.

When the Bihar Assembly met this morning Mr. Moinuddin Ahmed sought permission to move an adjournment of the House, in order to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, the issue of orders under Section 144 Cr. P. C. by the Magistrate of Dhanbad against several people, including a Member of the Assembly.

The Speaker, however, disallowed the motion, after the Prime Minister, Mr. Shri Krishna Sinha had replied, pointing out that the subject matter of the adjournment motion was not of recent occurrence, as orders under Section 144 were issued on March 19 on certain Labour leaders, preventing them from holding meetings in the Jharia Coalfields, where the workmen of the Kumardhubi Colliery were on strike.

Threafter the House took up the voting on demands for grants.—A. P.

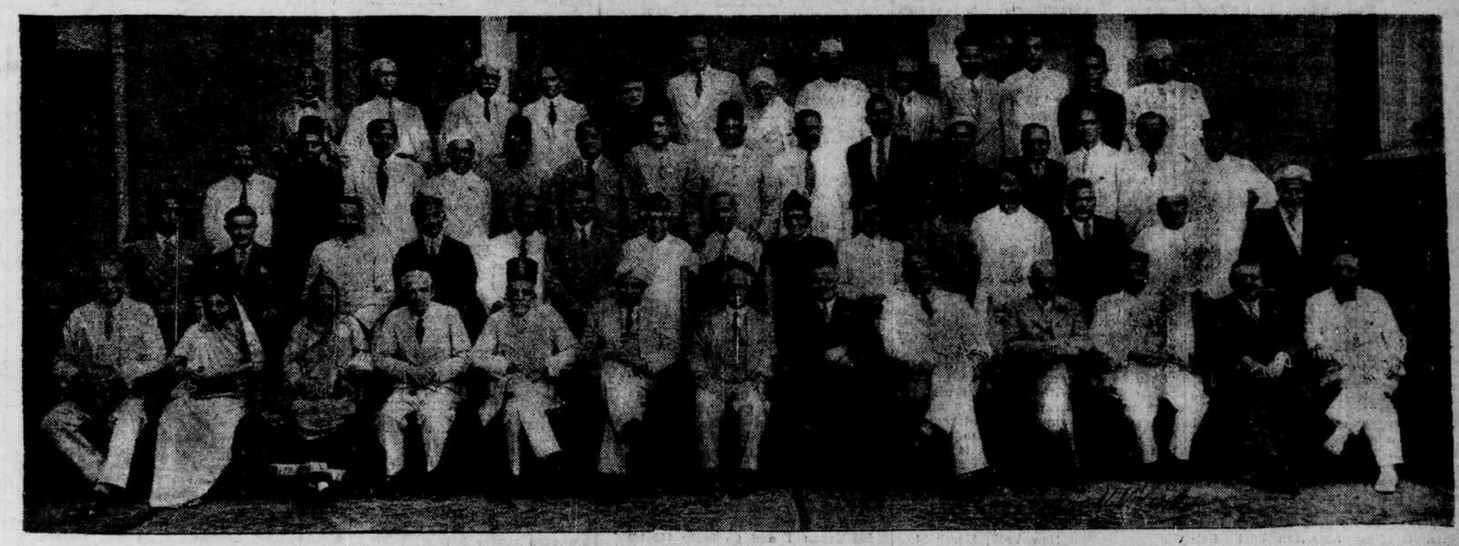

PHOTO OF MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AND COMMISSIONER TAKEN ON THE EVE OF RETIREMENT OF THE PRESENT MAYOR, DR. E. MOSES.

BOMBAY CABINET MEETING

Discussion On Two Draft Bills

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Bombay cabinet met yesterday under the chairmanship of Sir Roger Lumley. It is understood the Cabinet discussed the draft Bills to amend the Primary Education Act, and the Village Panchayat Act, and that the Cabinet approved of the draft Bills.

SUBHAS TO RESUME T. U. C. WORK

CALCUTTA, March 24.

The "United Press" reliably understands that Sjt Subhas Bose intends resuming his former contacts with workers' organisations.

Owing to the insistence of the members of the Tata Collieries Labour Association of Jamadoba in the district of Manbhum of which he was formerly the President, Sjt. Bose has decided to accept the presidentship of that Association again.

Time permitting he may resume his connection with other organisations as well.—United Press.

Three persons were killed and 14 injured as a result of a collision between a motor bus and a motor lorry on the Bezwada-Hyderabad road, according to a message from Bezwada. Those killed included the conductor and the owner of the bus, while the driver and two others received serious injuries.

His late Majesty's Silver Jubilee Fund Committee at Savantwadi has decided to utilise the interest on the fund towards anti-maternity care. A lady health visitor will be appointed to visit houses and to give instruction to the mothers of young babies.

Federation Won't Be Tolerated

C. P. Premier Moves Resolution In Assembly

NAGPUR, March 25.

In the C. P. Assembly to-day the Hon. Dr. N. B. Khare, Prime Minister, moved the following resolution:—

"This Assembly recommends to the Central Provinces and Berar Government that the opinion of this House be communicated to His Majesty's Government in Great Britain that it is impossible for the people and Government of this province to tolerate the imposition of the scheme of Federation as laid down in the Government of India Act of 1935; that the said scheme would, far from bringing about All-India unity, provoke forces of conflict between the provinces and the Indian States; and that this Assembly hopes that the Government of Great Britain will respect the wishes of the people of India and immediately devise means, even for transitional purposes, to set up a Central Government free from the objectionable features of the Federal scheme of the Government of India Act, to be evolved in consultation with the responsible provincial Governments and national leaders."

Dr. E. Raghavendra Rao moved an amendment that for the words "it is impossible for the people... and national leaders" the following be substituted:—

"In view of the declared attitude of the Indian National Congress, the Muslim League and other political organisations towards the scheme of Federation as laid down in the Government of India Act, 1935, and in view of the practical difficulties to start the new Federal Government on a stable basis the British Government should authorise the Governor-General and the Crown representative to call into conference at an early date the representatives of the states, the provinces and leaders of Indian opinion for the purpose of resolving existing differences and for determining the course to be pursued in the light of prevailing political circumstances."—A.P.

INDEPENDENT PROJA PARTY

Ambitious Programme Announced

CALCUTTA, March 25

The programme of the newly formed Independent Proja Party in the Bengal Legislature has been announced which includes a thorough overhaul of the land revenue and land tenure systems, and their replacement by a permanent settlement by a more equitable system.

The Party desires the immediate introduction of free compulsory primary education and a comprehensive scheme of adult education, liquidation of agricultural credit, regulation of jute production to raise prices and industrial survey and industrial regeneration of the province and nationalisation if possible of all key industries. The other objectives of the party include the reorganisation of the Calcutta University.—A. P.

SYUD HOSSAIN SAILS FOR CALIFORNIA

(From Our Correspondent)

CALCUTTA, March 24.

Prof. Syud Hossain sailed to-day for California.

A large gathering of his friends and admirers was present to wish him 'bon voyage'.

PLAN FOR INDIA'S NAVAL DEFENCE

Officers, Including Indians, To Receive Training

NEW DELHI, March 25.

It is proposed as a part of the coast defences of India, to make more complete provision than at present exists for local naval defence but it is not in the public interest to disclose the details, said Mr. Ogilvie, Army Secretary, in the Assembly to-day in reply to Mr. Avinashilingam Chettiar.

Mr. Ogilvie added that all Royal Indian Navy officers, including Indians will be trained to carry out the duties involved in local naval defence.

Mr. Ogilvie informed the same member that it is proposed to erect a Government Ordnance Factory designed to undertake the manufacture of all explosives required in war by the defence services of India. It is tentatively proposed to establish the factory in the vicinity of Jubbulpore.—A. P.

BAN ON COMMUNIST LITERATURE

NEW DELHI, March 25.

The Home Member told Prof. N. G. Ranga that communist literature was intercepted under a specific notification issued under the Sea Customs Act and it was possible that certain publications of Martin Lawrence and Co. were included in the intercepted literature.

Prof. Ranga enquired: "Will Government lay on the table a complete up-to-date list of publications which the customs authorities are instructed to intercept and confiscate?"

Sir Henry Craik: "It would be against public interest."

Replying to Mr. Mohanlal Saxena, Sir Henry Craik stated that two petitions had been received from Ram Singh recently repatriated from the Andamans and lodged in the Ajmer Central Jail, one of which contained prayer for his release. This had been rejected. He had not applied for transfer to the United Provinces. Ram Singh was placed in "B" class. He had been sentenced to seven years' rigorous imprisonment in November 1935 and had earned remission of four months and eighteen days upto February 1938.

Mr. K. Chaliha enquired if Government were prepared to allow D. Sarkar of Berlin and S. Majumdar of Nowgong and his wife now in Japan to visit India.

The Home Member stated that no application for a passport had yet been received from any of these persons.

Mr. Chaliha: "What is the alleged charge against S. Majumdar for which he is not allowed to come to India?"

The Home Member: "I am not aware of any charge."—United Press

Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — *THE INVESTORS*

THAT LIGHTNING BLINDED ME, BUT I MUST HAVE GOT HIM---HE'S NOT ON TH' BRANCH!
DE SANCHEZ IS WRONG! WADE LEAPED FOR THE ROOF AND MADE IT!
I DON'T SEE TH' BODY- GUESS IT'S ON TH' GROUND--
IT'S NOT ON THE GROUND!
IT'S RIGHT HERE!

MORE SHIPMENTS OF CLOVE

Appeal From Zanzibar Indians

BOMBAY, March 25.

The Imperial Indian Citizenship Association has received the following cable dated 24th March from the Indian National Association, Zanzibar:—

"Steamer "Kenya" left yesterday with 1,100 bales of cloves for Marmagao and Steamer "Inchanga" with 650 bales for Madras and 1,190 bales for Calcutta.

"These big shipments, when the settlement proposals are under discussion, meant a trial by strength. It is urgent to concentrate all forces including picketing and labour strike to frustrate efforts at penetration of the boycotted goods. We request you to use your influence with Indian States to prohibit entry. Inform Madras, Calcutta and Karnatak." —A. P.

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